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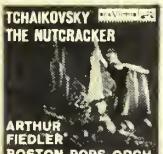
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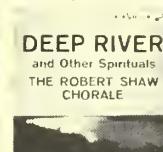
48. Riotous musical satire, slapstick; wry commentary by TV's Henry Morgan.



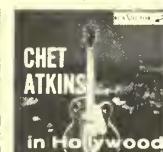
50. Tony Martin, Gogi Grant enhance the Academy Award-winning film score.



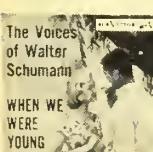
54. 15 varied strutters. *76 Trombones, Semper Fidelis, Colonel Bogey, others*.



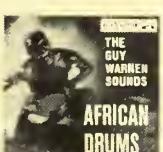
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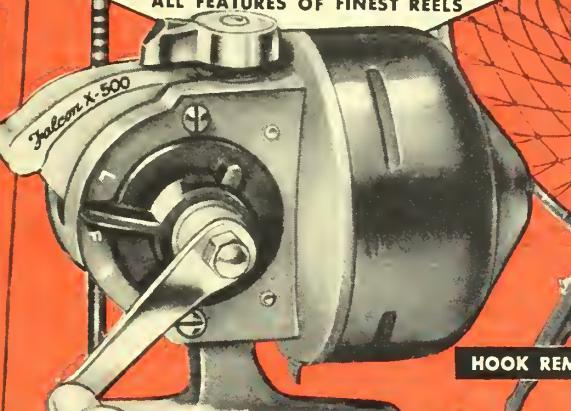
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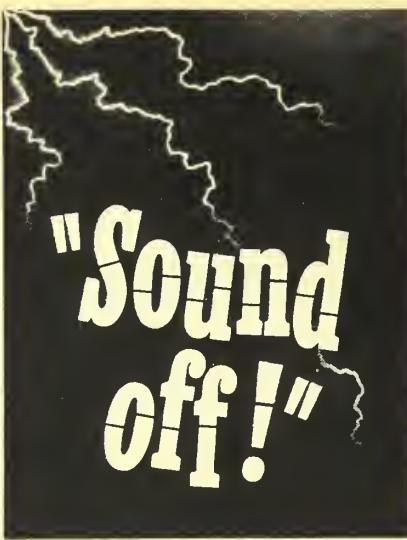
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Sir: Referring to Prof. Stephenson's article "A Tale of Two Railroads," he proves conclusively what happens to railroads under Federal aegis. Many of us remember the hash our own Government made of the railroads after World War I. However, out of fairness to the Canadian National Railroad, it should be pointed out that it was spawned by two broken-down wrecks—the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Northern—whereas the other road came from sturdier stock. This, together with private and intelligent management, resulted in a going concern—the Canadian Pacific. Certainly this was not a case of the Canadian Government inviting ownership, but having a couple of "orphans of the storm" foisted upon it. Also there is a question as to whether the territories of the two present systems have equal traffic densities, even though they pass through the same cities. Canada would do well to shut down unprofitable trackage on the C.N.R. instead of dipping into the public till to keep it rolling. Some of our moribund railroads are facing the same dilemma, and we may yet live to see public ownership of some of our own eight-ball roads.

Ralph Bloomfield
Miami, Fla.

PROS FROM SYRACUSE

Sir: Who in the hell is this individual, Al Hirshberg, who purports to be a basketball authority in cramming an abortion of "facts" down the throats of some 10,000,000 unsuspecting readers of my beloved *American Legion Magazine* in his "What's Ahead for Pro Basketball?" page 16, February issue? Some 5,000 Legionnaires of Onondaga County have been solid in their support of the Syracuse Nats, and Mr. Biasone, their president, has always accorded The American Legion his complete cooperation and support of everything that is Legion. We feel that an injustice has been done to a courageous team of fine athletes, to a "tank town" that is proud of its Big

League prospectus, and to Danny Biasone who closed his eyes and ears to "omnipotent" Beantown pressures, and made Syracuse a truly Big League community. The article by Hirshberg was diabolic because of its complete lack of factual material regarding the City of Syracuse, as well as its representation in the National Basketball Association. A request for equal space with Hirshberg would only dignify his story, but for the sake of a justifiably proud community I wish to register their complaint.

Francis W. Judkins

National President
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EATON LINE

Sir:

You will be interested to learn that there is in existence a movement uniting American women for decisive action against the threat of worldwide nuclear slaughter. As you know there are more women voters than men. Our aim is to force immediate disarmament, a ban on tests, and an honest, responsible approach to cooperation with all nations, by refusing to vote for any candidate of either party, for any office, who does not publicly support this policy.

Mrs. Cyrus K. Eaton
Northfield, Ohio

Cyrus K. Eaton, in case you've forgotten, is the elderly tycoon who is a personal chum of Nikita Khrushchev. They visit each other occasionally, and in all likelihood the Eatons will again be calling on Comrade Niki in the near future. When they do, we suggest that Mrs. Eaton start a campaign in the Soviet, similar to the one she is plugging here. She could begin by attempting to "force" immediate disarmament on their friends in the Kremlin.

The Editors

LEGION MESSAGE

Sir: Every year we solicit membership and we approach it as a chore. I am asking you to consider this idea. The conclusion of World War II and the Korean War has made available for membership a vast reservoir of men to make this a greater organization in numbers as well as in quality. These men are the fathers of our future soldiers. Their stake in the American way of life is great. They are worried about their sons and the future of this Country. There are things that are happening today that are not in keeping with the principle of upholding and defending the Constitution of the United States of America and are not 100-percent Americanism. The people of the United States from whom we draw membership are conscious of this problem, want to be of help, will pledge their wealth and time toward our goals if they but know that there is an American Legion, know that it is designed for 100-percent Americanism, that it is the most thorough and powerful organization for patriotic good in the Nation today. This is the mes-

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EDITOR'S CORNER

BIG MOVIE MAN

WE ARE INTRIGUED with the contributions to the cinema being made by Otto Preminger. A few years ago he turned out *The Moon Is Blue*, a malodorous thing that was indeed blue. This he followed with *The Man With The Golden Arm*, whose author, Nelson Algren, was identified by the House Un-American Activities Committee in 1944 as a "well known communist" with a record going back to 1935.

Preminger gave art another nudge forward with his discovery of a Boston lawyer named Joe Welch. Counsel had done some highly publicized TV bits that won high acclaim in certain quarters. And he had a remarkable way of rendering his lines, with a catch in his voice. Obviously impressed with this talent, Preminger gave him his big chance; and now Welch is a bigtime movie star, no less.

From this, Preminger went on to even greater things. He next announced that he was hiring Dalton Trumbo to do the film treatment of the novel *Exodus*. If you've forgotten who Trumbo is, it just shows that the investigation of communism in Hollywood didn't make much of an impression on you. Dalton had a starring role in that investigation, was cited for contempt of Congress, and spent a year in jail. But in hiring Trumbo, Preminger made his stand clear. And, we might add, consistent. He said his decision to hire Trumbo was "simply realistic and practical and not political." Paraphrased, this means that if you can make a buck out of a certain writer or actor or script, what is the harm?

And now comes another surprise. Preminger has announced that he is going to make a movie of *Advise and Consent*, the powerful anticommunist bestseller that we discussed in this column last month. We are frankly curious as to how Otto Preminger will handle it. Will Dalton Trumbo do the scenario? Or is the job likely to be turned over to some writer from the Soviet film trust, under some kind of cultural exchange arrangement?

ALL-STARS

THE BRITISH USUALLY do things differently from Americans. No matter how tight things get in the tight little isle that is Merric England, most Britons keep a stiff upper lip. They also keep their opinions of England to themselves.

But Americans are not like that. Some of them stare popeyed at the "glory" that is Russia and the "grandeur" of other countries; but when it comes to the United States, they are afflicted with a

strange inferiority complex. Even worse, they have an amazing compulsion to tell anyone who will listen just what ails the U.S.A. Capitalizing on this neuroticism, an enterprising Britisher recently rounded up an all-star cast of people who make the United States their home and persuaded them to blab to Britain about the things wrong with America.

Top banana in this fruity collection was Alger Hiss, former State Department bigwig and more recently an inmate of a Federal penitentiary. The ex-con complained to our British cousins that in America there was "a fear, a sort of nameless fear." (We will concede this point, thanks in no small part to the help that the insufferable Alger and his comrades gave the communist conspiracy.)

Another big name in this denigrating revue was ex-Boy Wonder Robert Maynard Hutchins. As just about everyone knows, Wonder Boy Bob is now making a good living off of the Fund for the Republic, spreading big ideas like crazy. Costarring with him were two beatniks—Allen Guinzberg, poet laureate of the bearded cult, and Bob Kaufman, who preaches a thing he calls "abommunism." Now that Hutchins knows about this precious pair, we wouldn't be surprised to find them working for the Fund for the Republic. They have exactly what it takes to do a Fund report on blacklisting, civil liberties, or some other weighty matter.

Still others who were featured on this "spectacular" were Clint Jencks, president of the commie-ridden Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers union; "sick comedian" Mort Sahl; Prof. J. Kenneth Galbraith, who toils in the Harvard vineyard; and the aforementioned Trumbo.

Thanks to the appearance of this little troupe on British TV screens, we trust that our friends across the sea got a good closeup of America's dirty linen. We also hope that they gave a long and thoughtful look at the people who hung it up. It might give them a better idea of what is really wrong with America.

BIG RED BOSS

AS ALL SPORTS fans know, "you can't enjoy the game unless you know the names and numbers of the players." The same thing goes for communism. If you want to understand it, it's a good idea to know who is on the red team. Not long ago, J. Edgar Hoover described the new quarterback of the American branch of the Soviet conspiracy. He is one Gus Hall, whose real name is Arvo Halberg. Mr. Hoover described him as "a coldly calculating communist conniver" and an alumnus of the Lenin School, an institution that teaches sabotage and guerrilla tactics. Hall showed where his allegiance lay when, in 1934, he gave the following testimony at a trial:

Q. And you are willing to fight to overthrow this Government?

A. Absolutely.

Q. And you are willing to take up arms and overthrew the constituted authorities?

A. When the time comes, "Yes."

This is the leader of what our over-educated element likes to refer to as a "political party"!

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If you're planning to join the powerboat fleet this year, ask yourself these questions before you leap into the deep:

1. Who's going to use the outfit?
2. Where will it be kept and maintained?
3. What's the situation in prices?

The big trend today is toward family-type craft (16-footers and up). [That means most buyers want a sturdy, reliable boat with adequate flotation and enough strength to take a good-sized powerplant.]

Size of boat, in turn, should be influenced by where you plan to keep and maintain it. Moorings are getting scarcer, more expensive; maintenance is a growing item. Maybe a trailer is part of your answer. [In any event, think about construction (wood, aluminum, or fiberglass), upkeep, and storage as a related group of problems.]

As for prices: They're up. On the other hand, discount possibilities will be more plentiful. The fact is that so many manufacturers now are in the boating game that you have a lot of leeway to shop around for buys — pricewise and creditwise. Figure list prices roughly this way:

- **Outboard motors:** \$200 for 5 hp.; \$325 for 10 hp.; \$475 for 25 hp.; \$575 for 40 hp.; and \$825 for 60 hp.
- **Boats:** \$500 to \$2,000, depending on size, construction, and enclosures or cabins. (A super-duper job may go even higher.)
- **Trailers:** \$200 to \$400 for ordinary types; upward of \$600 for extra-heavy-duty equipment fitted with brakes, directional signals, etc.
- **Inboard cruisers and sailboats:** The gamut is too wide to define neatly. You name it, and somebody will have it.

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Simultaneous husband-wife deaths in airplane accidents and car crashes are something to worry about. How would your will or insurance policies stand up under this double blow?

Most fellows assume — for inheritance purposes — that their wives will survive them. A common disaster, though, creates an entirely different problem, because:

1. An inheritance tax situation might come up, and
2. You may want to dispose of your property in a more cautious way.

Fortunately, it's a relatively simple matter to get the tax angle straightened out. Your lawyer or insurance man can do it in a jiffy. At the same time, these experts will discuss the matter of what happens to the property itself under this special circumstance.

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Here's another puzzler that often stumps family men: How much life insurance should you carry? Two approaches are worth thinking about:

APPROACH NO. 1: Estimate the size of "cleanup" bills in the event of death; add long-term debts plus future family needs; then get the kind of coverage that best fits this situation.

APPROACH NO. 2: As a broad guide, assume that the face value of your life insurance should be about four times your income.

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The 18th Decennial Census of the U. S., now in progress, is going to be largely a do-it-yourself affair. You either have — or soon will get — a questionnaire asking for pertinent statistics on you and yours. Fill it out properly. There's a penalty for refusing.

Enumerators will pick up the forms shortly. At every fourth household they'll leave a second form asking some additional questions. If you're among the one in four who gets this second query, fill it out and mail it within three days.

A major result of the census will be a reshuffle of seats in the House of Representatives. The Western and Southwestern States will get more (California may get as many as seven), while some of the oldtime leaders (notably New York and Pennsylvania) will lose a few.

[Census takers, for your peace of mind, will identify themselves clearly; and they are sworn to hold what you say in confidence.]

By Edgar A. Grunwald



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PRESENTING BOTH SIDES OF BIG ISSUES FACING THE NATION

THIS MONTH'S SUBJECT: Should The Federal Government Exercise Control Over Radio-TV Networks?



(PRO) Today there are 516 commercial television stations on the air. Of these stations, 481 are affiliated with one or several networks. Only 35 stations have no network affiliation.

The result is that three television networks (CBS, NBC, and ABC) control a substantial portion of the programs, which are broadcast by the 481 affiliated stations. This is particularly true between 6 and 11 p. m.

True enough, under the Communications Act all television stations are licensed by the Federal Communications Commission. In granting a license, the Commission is supposed to evaluate whether a station's program structure is balanced or whether it is perhaps topheavy in the direction of entertainment.

In reality, however, most of the 481 network-affiliated stations have abdicated their programming responsibility to the three networks. The three networks, in turn, to a very large extent have permitted sponsors, advertising agencies, and producers of TV programs to determine the program structure of the networks.

Programs appealing to a more selective audience are at a great disadvantage, and the networks have gone so far as to refuse time for old established musical programs because their "ratings" supposedly are lower than the rating of Westerns, crime shows, etc.

Under my bill (H. R. 5042), the networks would have to refrain from engaging in practices that have the effect of restricting use by television stations of programs offered by other program suppliers or programs prepared by the stations themselves. Also, television networks would have to make their programs available to the maximum number of television stations desiring to broadcast such programs. Also, network affiliation contracts would have to be filed with the Commission and such contracts would have to be limited to a duration of not more than two years.

All of these requirements and prohibitions are, of course, directed toward achieving the main goal of requiring the networks to make a balanced program structure available to their affiliated stations. I am certain that the time has come to replace the present system of lack of responsibility of networks under Federal law with a system of public responsibility.

John B. Bennett (R)
Member of Congress from 12th District of Michigan



(CON) Proposals to give the Federal Government controls over the networks are as unsupportable as the idea of burning the barn to exterminate a few rats.

Radio and TV have done a fine job in the world of entertainment, and the industry as a whole should not be pilloried for the misdeeds of a few within its membership.

That is why caution should be exercised in studying remedial measures. For, once we embark on a program to give the Federal Communications Commission controls over the networks, we encounter the fundamental question of freedom of communications.

History has proved that as a profession matures, abuses are bound to appear, which means that our basic problem is that of reconciling restraints with freedom. In the midst of a tempest it is easy to capture headlines by advocating the guillotine. A wise answer to abuses and an equitable solution can best be obtained by a temperate, objective approach.

Important segments of the American public believe that the broadcasting industry is competent to do its own housecleaning. The National Grange has observed that prompt remedial action taken by broadcasters since disclosures of rigged quiz shows and payola should make it unnecessary for the FCC to control the networks. The American Medical Association has voiced high praise for the role of broadcasting in promoting public health. The AMA has pointed out that much time has been devoted and incalculable expense incurred by the industry in revising scripts so that the public gets correct medical information. It is clear that present FCC policies are adequate to crack down on any minority within the broadcasting industry responsible for abuses.

Some day there will undoubtedly be as many airways channels as radio and TV can operate. And the closer we get to that situation, the less will be the necessity for the Government's exercise of restraint or reprisal in the field of broadcasting.

The public, quick to find fault with programming, cannot dodge its responsibility. Listeners have a simple remedy at their fingertips. That is the control buttons. Simply turn off the program. And if this happens frequently enough, the objectionable program must die.

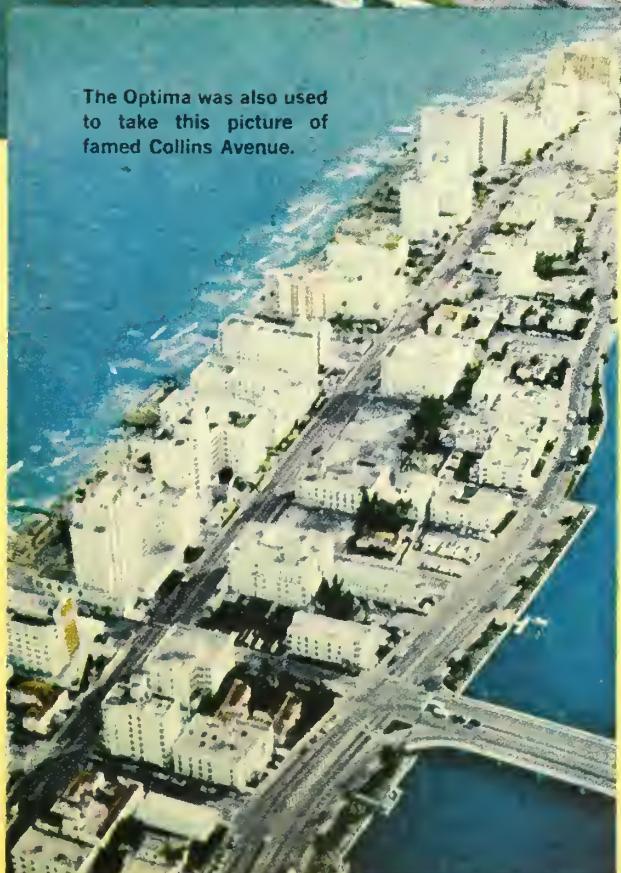
The people have the means of getting the type of programs they wish without Government control.

William B. Widnall (R)
Member of Congress from 7th District of New Jersey

This aerial view of the fabulous Fontainebleau, National Headquarters hotel, was made with a fully automatic 35-mm. Agfa Optima camera.



The Optima was also used to take this picture of famed Collins Avenue.



How the new automatic cameras **SEE MIAMI BEACH**

The 1960 National Convention city as seen by the new "aim-and-shoot" cameras.

ANYONE WHO has ever attended a National Convention of The American Legion knows that cameras are as much in evidence as blue caps and emblems. This is understandable when you consider that a big convention provides unbeatable opportunities to photograph colorful and exciting events, snap celebrities, and capture a lot of human interest with one's little black box.

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The Bell & Howell Electric Eye 127 was used to take these two pictures at the Parrot Jungle.

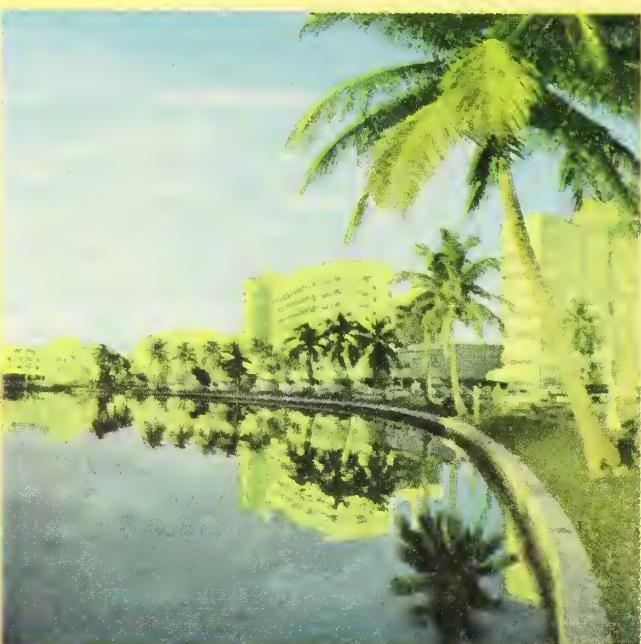


Gaily colored tropical birds and exotic flowers make the Jungle a photographer's paradise.



The Kodak Starmatic was the camera that took this shot of Crandon Beach, open to the public.

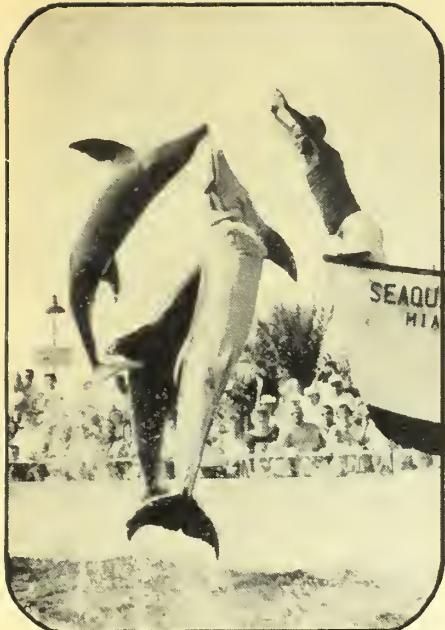
A Revere Eye-Matic shot this through the glass walls of the Fontainebleau's swimming pool.



This lovely scene along Indian Creek, Miami Beach, was also made with the automatic Kodak.

This tropical sunset was taken in Miami Beach, with the Revere camera operating automatically.





The Fujica SE semiautomatic stopped these Seaquarium fish.



Showing its versatility, the Fujica SE was then used to take this indoor scene, the French Revue, at the Carillon Hotel in Miami Beach.

Every convention is a gala occasion for the camera fan, but when the Legion holds its big convention in Miami Beach next October — from the 15th through the 20th — there will be a number of extra dividends. You will get, most of the time, brilliant light that means superb photographs. You will have an unending selection of tropical settings, gorgeous beaches, and all the things that go with luxurious living.

Now, to make it a cinch to photograph all these things, camera manufacturers this year are offering new models that operate automatically. Designed for the person who can't be bothered with figuring out shutter speeds, lens openings, and the amount of light available, the new automatic cameras compute these things with an electric brain and then make the necessary adjustments themselves. A photoelectric eye squints at the light, measures how much there is, and adjusts the lens opening accordingly. If there isn't enough light for the picture, the camera gives you fair warning. To simplify matters still further, these cameras require no complicated adjustments to focus them.

A slightly different type of automatic camera — for the amateur who doesn't mind a slight bit of effort — has a photoelectric exposure meter to measure the

light. The photographer has to line up an arrow or a needle to an indicated position to get the correct speed-aperture combination. But if he can exert himself to this extent, he will probably get better pictures than he can with a fully automatic camera.

Incidentally, both types take color as well as black-and-white pictures. They also take flash pictures.

PHOTOS BY BENN MITCHELL



This action was caught with the semiautomatic Voigtlander Vitomatic.



At the Seminole Village at Musa Isle the same camera snapped this 'gator.

No one claims that the new automatic cameras are absolutely foolproof. If you disregard the childishly simple instructions, you can, of course, come up with poor pictures or no pictures at all. But to fail with this kind of equipment, it is almost necessary to make an effort to do so, especially in a place like Miami Beach.

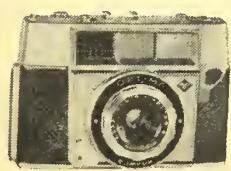
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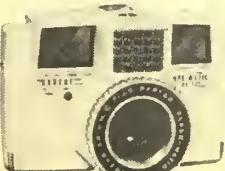
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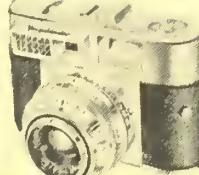
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Cameras that were used to take the pictures shown here.

What You as an Individual can do to **FIGHT COMMUNISM**

Nine men who know what communism is and how it
works tell what steps you can take against the red conspiracy.

THOMAS J. DODD

U.S. Senator from Connecticut



IKE OTHER members of Congress, I frequently receive letters from private citizens who ask in effect: "Just what can someone like me do to combat communism?" The frequency with which the question is put demonstrates that the American people understand the gravity of the struggle that confronts us and the total evil of the communist enemy. It also proves their willingness to meet this enemy head on, and to fight and to sacrifice if necessary.

Let me suggest a few things that the average American can do.

If, as a private citizen, you belong to a trade union, a fraternal or civic group, or any other organization where there is a noticeable communist infiltration, don't just let matters ride in the hope that the disease won't get any worse. Do something about it!

If the communists dominate the organization, don't abandon it — combine

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation



COMMUNISM IS today a menacing evil to the historic institutions of America. The communists desire to overthrow our democratic form of government and establish a terroristic dictatorship. The liberties which have made this Nation great would be ruthlessly liquidated. The concentration camp, the secret police, and the purge trial would become trademarks of a communist America.

The question is often asked: "What can I do to fight communism?" I say: you can do a great deal. Here are some things which every American should do to help fight this atheistic menace:

(1) *Be informed about communism.* Know the history, background, and tactics of communism. All too often communism thrives on a lack of knowledge of its true operations. Communism rests on deceit, falsehood, and deception. The exterior face of communism is most attractive, but behind this facade lurks a

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ALFRED KOHLBERG

Authority on Far Eastern Affairs



WHEN I USED to make frequent speeches, one question with which I was almost invariably confronted was: "What can I, an ordinary American, do to combat communism?" My answer was: "Fight it where you are and write letters, especially to your Congressman and Senators and to the newspapers."

Since then several coronary attacks have hampered most of my activities; so I have turned to less burdensome work and am following my own advice. I frequently write letters to the press commenting on communist tricks and activities. Sometimes my letters are widely published, sometimes less so. It seems to me the letters that have a single clear point to make, and that make it in short sentences, are most successful. Long and involved thoughts and long sentences are less acceptable.

I am convinced that every man and woman who has a point of view can

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GEORGE MEANY

President, AFL-CIO



WHAT CAN each of us, as an individual, do to help defeat communism?

First of all, each of us must learn the nature of the communist enemy. Each of us must realize that

communism is a worldwide menace. We must realize that in order to defeat this scourge, all freedom-loving individuals and all free nations must loyally work together to promote human liberty, well-being, and a just world peace.

Every section of the American community — labor, industry, the academic world, the farmers — will have its own specific way of contributing to the defeat of communism.

We of American labor prefer our democracy — with all its imperfections — a millionfold to the perfect totalitarian despotism behind the Iron Curtain. This is the categoric position of American labor.

Ours is a human country — with all the frailties and all the failings that are

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Hon. ROBERT MORRIS

Former Chief Counsel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee



THERE IS one assignment that I would suggest to the individual in answer to the inquiry as to what he can do about communism. That would be to have him

understand that it is his individual problem. It is not the world's, it is not his Country's, it is not the President's, but his own personal responsibility.

The Soviet Empire has as its expressed goal what it calls the Sovietization of the world. The Soviets intend to succeed in this during the lifetime of President Eisenhower's grandchildren. If they do succeed, it will mean that the children and grandchildren of all of us will lead the lives of what we consider slaves. Think of this in terms of your own children and grandchildren and it becomes a frightening prospect.

Try, if you will, to write off the prospect by saying that there have been other would-be world conquerors. Then look at the record of the last 13 years to see

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KARL E. MUNDT

U.S. Senator from South Dakota



THE DECISIVE battle for freedom in our generation is going to be won or lost on American soil. It will be won or lost by the American people—and it will be won or lost by what

we do or fail to do in the next few years.

No one doubts that communism is this century's greatest threat to the American way of life. The communist leaders proclaim it. Current history corroborates it. It is the greatest peril to freedom and justice.

Yet, in spite of the acknowledged aims of communism, and its opposition to individual freedom, it has been able to spread beyond the borders of Russia and into control of the governments of many other countries where freedom once flourished as it does here.

Why have these countries capitulated to communism? Sometimes it was because of military aggression, sometimes because of economic warfare, but usually it was because the people in those

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Hon. WILLIAM P. ROGERS

Attorney General of the United States



OUR NATION faces a great challenge. The Soviet Union is determined to prove to the world that the communist system of government is superior to that of a self-govern-

ing free people. Mr. Khrushchev says that is what he means when he says he will bury us. At stake are the rights and liberties that we regard as inalienable.

Much has been said about the competition between the free world and the communist nations. It would be a serious mistake not to recognize that the communist system has some important advantages. An autocratic state need not consult its people, nor need it be responsive to the will of its people. Thus it can produce spectacular results under crash programs directed and controlled by the Communist Party.

Because so often the stress is on the size and deployment of military forces, the nuclear weapons race, the competition for trade and the minds of people

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GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY

King Features Syndicate Columnist



TWO QUESTIONS face the opponent of communism:

1. Do I really know what I am talking about?
2. How can I, as an individual, fight communism?

The first question is the more important. Most anticommunists do not know what they are opposing. Some believe, for instance, that communism is the opposite of capitalism and is therefore bad; others call it atheistic and therefore bad.

Marxism, to use a more correct term, is a complete system for the whole life of the whole man. It is a philosophic, economic, sociological system of life that accepts that man is an accidental creature of his environment and therefore is subject only to the law of necessity. From this standpoint, man is neither the product of nor is subject to moral law, nor is man a creature of God; therefore he possesses no conscience, which is the nexus between God and man.

In the initial stage of a Marxist revo-

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Rep. FRANCIS E. WALTER

Chairman, House Un-American Activities Committee



GET THE FACTS. Study communism. You can't fight an enemy you don't know. This is a fundamental rule of warfare. Learn communism's basic doc-

trines, its strategy and tactics, its line on current national and international affairs, the names of major communist fronts and of leading communists and fellow travelers. This is the minimum knowledge required for effective anticommunism.

Act. Knowledge that is not put to use is wasted. No matter how much you learn about communism, you will contribute nothing to the fight against it unless you have the will to do, to translate your learning into deeds that weaken communism.

Get the help of others. Two heads are better than one — and 10 men more powerful than two.

Organize your helpers and plan your action. Mere numbers are not enough.

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MORGAN FRANKLIN *and Me*



Private Franklin was not exactly officer material, but he had a heart of purest gold.

By **WALLACE HARMON**

TO UNDERSTAND this story properly, you should know Morgan Franklin. In fact, *everyone* should know him. Morgan was a blithe spirit, a completely relaxed, carefree young Southerner with a ready smile, a wonderful sense of humor, and no inhibitions whatsoever. He certainly was no Phi Beta Kappa but he was far from stupid. Morgan had spent all his life in the cotton-fields of Georgia and was too preoccupied with the pleasure of just living to worry about developing his capacities for learning and retaining written information.

I met Morgan Franklin in 1943 at Fort McClellan, Alabama, where I was a first lieutenant commanding a company in a training regiment. Our job at McClellan was to give basic training to raw recruits. When this training was completed, they were assigned to any branch of service which needed them. Their training lasted 17 weeks; and although that was the sum total of my association with Morgan, I still remember him vividly, even though 16 years have passed.

During the first week of training I walked up to a group of recruits who

were sitting during a rest break. Morgan saw me, jumped to his feet, and gave me the sloppiest salute I ever saw.

"What is your name, soldier?" I inquired, returning the salute.

"Mawgin Franklin, suh. Ah'm gonna be the bes' soljur in yoah whole eompany! Sho 'nuff."

During the next several weeks I wished a thousand times that I had walked away and forgotten the whole thing. But I didn't.

"Well, Morgan Franklin, you'd better learn to salute better than that or you'll be the worst."

"You jes' wait, Lootenant. Ah'm gonna be the bes' soljur in the whole U. S. Army. Sho 'nuff!"

Everyone within earshot laughed and Morgan joined in the merriment. But from that day on I knew Morgan apart from the crowd, and a rather odd relationship was born. Even though I was his commander and he was a mere recruit, Morgan felt no hesitancy whatsoever in coming right up to me at any time and saying what was on his mind. He did so with such cheerfulness and great gusto that I rather enjoyed these encounters myself and did nothing to discourage him.

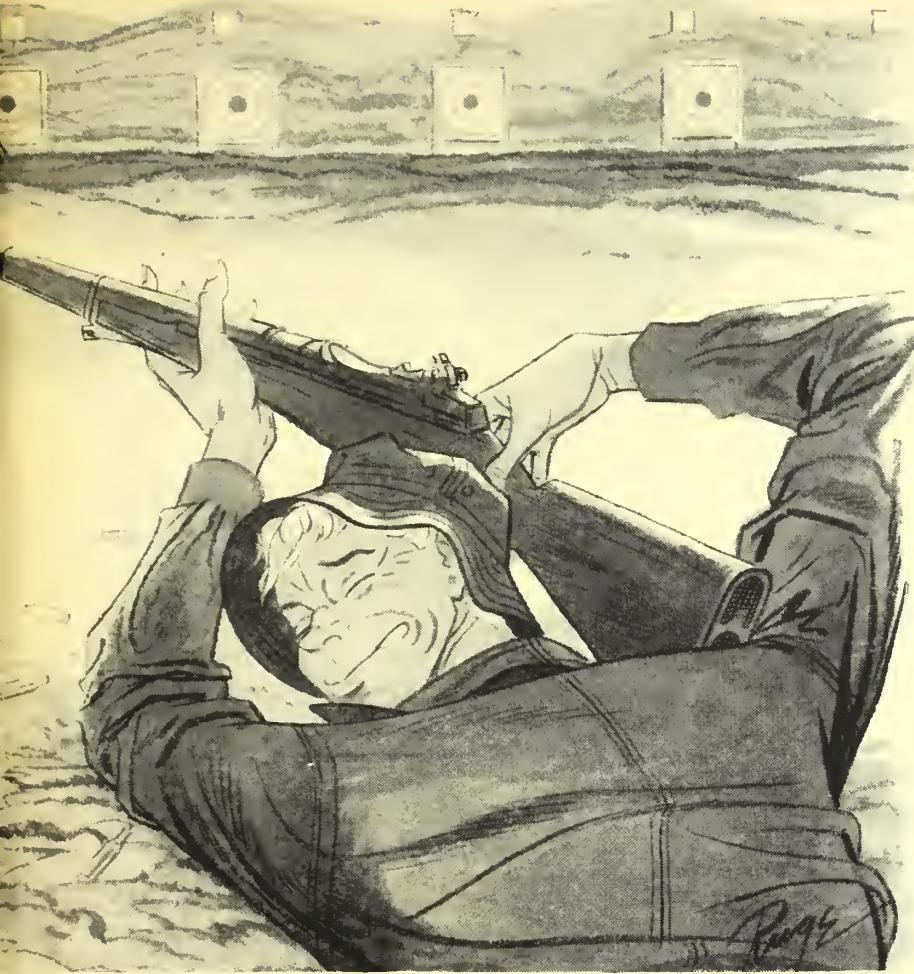
Morgan was a great one to brag on

himself. In fact, he would become so carried away with his bragging that I honestly think he believed what he said. For example, we had issued rifles and were beginning work on marksmanship. First, we showed the recruits pictures of sight alignment, how the sights should be lined up on the bull's-eye. The next step was to use "sighting bars" for practice; then actual rifle sights. After that came exercises in how to hold the rifle, how to squeeze the trigger, and safety rules. During this training period Morgan would sidle up to me and say: "Lootenant, suh, if there's one thing Ah kin do, it's shoot a rafhle. Man, Ah been shootin' a rafhle ever sinee Ah been bawn. Yes suh, Ah can sho' shoot a rafhle!"

"That's fine, Morgan," I would answer. "You work on this training and let's see how you come out on the range."

"Lawd, Lootenant. Ah don't need no practice. Ah betcha Ah git all bull's-eyes, sho 'nuff," he'd say with appropriate gestures and much enthusiasm. In fact, he had me believing that he was a crack shot.

At last the Great Day dawned and we were on the range. I was busy overseeing all of the range and seeing that safety rules were being observed; so I didn't notice Morgan take a stand right in front



ILLUSTRATED BY JOHN RUGE

was. When he fired his rifle, he turned his head and closed both eyes.

of me. I gave the order to commence firing, and the targets came up. Shots began popping all up and down the line, but my attention was quickly brought to bear on a small cloud of dust about 15 yards to my front where someone had shot into the ground.

"Who shot in the dirt?" I yelled.

"Morgan Franklin" was the reply from the sergeant coaching in that area.

"Well, try it again," I said.

Morgan got off another shot and al-

though it did not dig up the earth, a red flag down by the target pit told of a complete miss. I walked over to Morgan's position.

"Hey, Morgan, what's the matter? I thought you were an expert rifle shot."

"This here raffle ain't shootin' right, Lieutenant. Ah hol' it right but it don't shoot right," came a sort of plaintive reply.

"Let me try it," I said. I squeezed off a shot with excellent results.

"There's nothing wrong with the rifle. Let me see you try it again," handing him back the rifle.

As I watched him closely, Morgan lay prone, sighted on the target and, as he started to squeeze the trigger, seemed to shrink away. His head turned to the rear, and both eyes closed tightly as if he were afraid the rifle would explode in his hands. Naturally, the shot went wild and the red flag waved. I saw then and there that Morgan's braggadocio had lulled me into believing that he could shoot when actually he had not only failed to learn anything in training, but was afraid of the rifle.

"What's the matter, Morgan," I asked. "Are you afraid of the rifle?"

"Naw suh," he replied with complete candor. "Ah ain't afraid, but this thing kicks like a mule!"

A bit disillusioned, I sadly ordered him away from the firing line for more instruction; I couldn't risk wholesale slaughter. Needless to say, Morgan did not qualify as a marksman.

Later our company was scheduled for guard duty. This was to be our first guard duty, and only our sharpest recruits were to take part. Now don't ask me why I should have even considered Morgan Franklin after our experience on the range, but one talk with him convinced me that he was to be one of my guards. Against the advice of my first sergeant, I selected Morgan.

All afternoon we drilled them on how to challenge ("Halt. Who is there?") and in the 11 General Orders. At four o'clock that afternoon we mounted guard. As officer of the day, I made my rounds of inspection shortly thereafter. Things went smoothly until about 9 p.m., after the third shift of guards had taken over. Morgan was in the third shift.

Walking along a dark passageway between two rows of tents, I saw Morgan sauntering along, humming to himself, rifle lazily eanted across his shoulder, and certainly in no way suggesting a military bearing. I stopped and let him

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The colonel asked Morgan if he wasn't supposed to be wearing a first aid packet.





APPEASEMENT in PANAMA

The November riots that harassed Uncle Sam were set off when these two announced plans to "march on the Canal Zone." They are Ernesto Castillero and Aquilino Boyd.

By EDWARD TOMLINSON

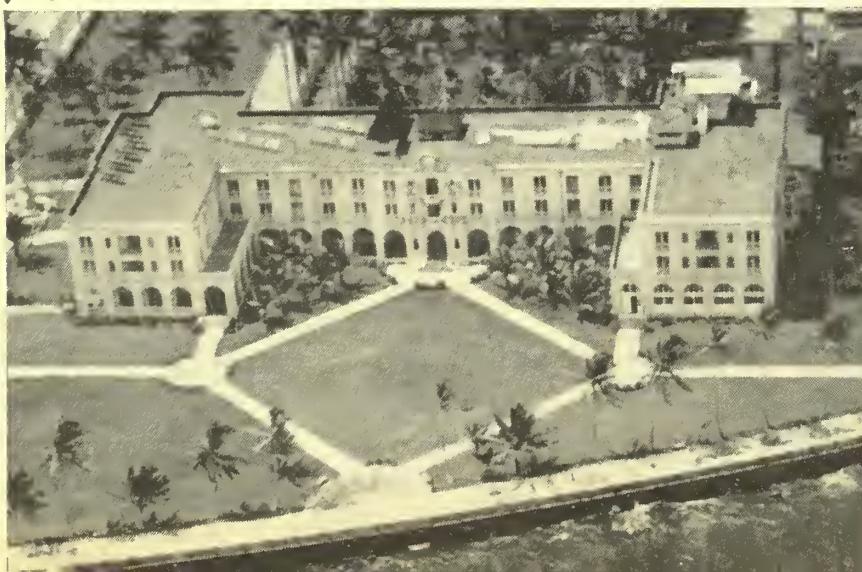
Edward Tomlinson, the dean of correspondents on Western Hemisphere affairs, has written and lectured on Latin American subjects for more than 30 years. His latest book is *Look Southward, Uncle.*

THE TIDE of anti-American propaganda in Panama has become a seething campaign to oust Uncle Sam from control of the Panama Canal. It is being spearheaded by leftist university students, volatile nationalists, and communists. It has the ardent support of the majority of the most prominent political leaders and the powerful merchants association of Panama City and Colon, as well as that of the leading newspapers and radio stations.

This campaign against what the extremists call "U.S. domination of Panamanian territory" started in the early thirties, when a group of intellectuals and antigingo elements set up an organization to "promote the internationalization of the canal."

The organization was called "The Panamanian Society for International Action," and its founder was the late

We keep handing U.S. property over to the politicians who function as ↓ the Panamanian Government. One such handout was this hotel in Colon.



Since the early thirties we have been giving in to a group of leftists and others who hate the United States.

Dr. Rivera Reyes. In 1934 Dr. Reyes declared that the original treaty, granting the United States a 40-mile-long, 10-mile-wide strip of territory (known as the "Zone") through which the waterway extends from the Caribbean to the Pacific, "was born of fraud, perfidy and dishonor."

"This great waterway," the doctor said, "should be sold to an international corporation in which are represented all the nations of the world." Apparently at that time neither Dr. Reyes or any other prominent Panamanian had given any serious thought to "nationalization" of the "big ditch."

With the passing of Dr. Reyes, the movement for "internationalization" lost momentum; but demands for economic and financial concessions began to increase. In 1936 President Harmodio Arias came to Washington and got the first substantial treaty revision from the

Roosevelt administration. In these negotiations little was said about political matters. President Arias seemed to be well satisfied with an increase in the annuity from \$250,000 to \$430,000, the ceding to the Republic of certain lands of the Caribbean coast, curtailment of commissary privileges to persons living outside of the Canal Zone, and other economic considerations.

Today Dr. Arias, through his newspapers, the *Panama American* and *La Hora*, is one of the leading spokesmen for "zone sovereignty." A year and a half ago he declared to this writer: "I will never rest until I see the flag of my country flying over both the zone and the canal."

Agitation for the "return to Panama

Article III of the Isthmian Canal Convention between Panama and the United States, signed on November 18, 1903, states:

The Republic of Panama grants to the United States all the rights, power and authority within the zone mentioned and described in Article II of this agreement and within the limits of all auxiliary lands and waters mentioned and described in said Article II which the United States would possess and exercise if it were the sovereign of the territory within which said lands and waters are located to the entire exclusion of the exercise by the Republic of Panama of any such sovereign rights, power or authority.



← Stirred up by the demagogues, a mob of natives tore the U.S. flag to bits.

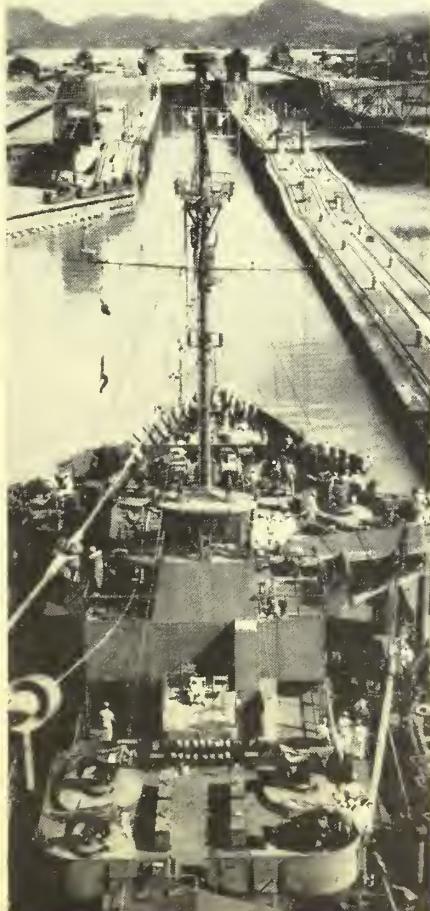


More than \$100,000 damage to U.S.-owned properties was inflicted by the mob which staged its "march on the Canal Zone." Reds were involved.

of sovereignty over the zone" began in earnest in 1939. Following the Spanish Civil War, which ended with the fall of Madrid to the Franco forces, many of Spain's "liberal" intellectuals and prominent Republicans migrated to the Americas. One group made its way to Panama, and there several of its members were employed as instructors in the newly reorganized National University.

Within weeks after they assumed their duties, they became involved in isthmian polities. They helped to organize the *Partido del Pueblo*, one of the first communist political parties in the Caribbean. The PDP was made up of remnants of the old Rivera Reyes movement, radical professors and students, and a considerable number of leftist labor leaders. The party as such has not been too open in its activities, but its members and camp followers have consistently flailed away at the "Imperialist Yankees" for "forcibly occupying a part of our sacred territory."

In the early days of World War II the anti-U.S. movement got a powerful assist from nazi-fascist-leaning President Arnulfo Arias, a younger brother of Dr. Harmodio. Arnulfo, as he is popularly known in Panama, was later overthrown and exiled for the duration of the conflict. But the moment the Axis Powers asked for an armistice, all the leftists and flaming nationalists, the students and the newspapers, along with



The Panama Canal is vital in case of war. This was a familiar scene during WW2.

← The mob showed its hand with a banner calling for relations with Russia.

the leading politicians, launched another drive against "U.S. disregard of Panamanian sovereignty."

They insisted that the Government expel United States forces from several wartime airfields and other military bases outside the Canal Zone; these had been leased to us during the emergency for the defense of the canal and the hemisphere. The National Congress sat in special session to condemn this "further occupation."

After we had bowed to these condemnations, vacated the wartime bases, and withdrawn all our forces into the Canal Zone, there were still more demands for treaty revisions. In 1955 President Eisenhower invited Jose Antonio Remon to Washington and agreed to increase the annuity from \$430,000 to \$1,930,000 a year, gave over to the Republic some \$25 million worth of real estate in Panama City and Colon, agreed to build a new \$27 million bridge across the canal for the Republic's special use, and granted innumerable other financial and economic benefits.

But even these favors failed to satisfy the extremists. They have continued to demand political concessions. In fact, they led the Panamanian public to believe that Washington had agreed to recognize Panamanian sovereignty over the zone and to permit the flag of the Republic to fly there. Of course, no such promises were actually made.

Then in 1956 came the Suez "incident." Nasser took over the Middle Eastern waterway. Even while the crisis was at its peak, and the French and English were attempting to drive the Egyptians out of Suez territory, university students whipped up frenzied anti-U.S. demonstrations in Panama City.

In July of 1958 the student unions issued a new manifesto, which was endorsed by most of the press and political firebrands, calling for liquidation of the Panama Canal Company and a 50-50 division of the gross (not the net) annual receipts of the canal. They further demanded that residents of the Canal Zone be compelled to speak Spanish instead of English and that "members of the U.S. Congress and citizens of the U.S. be prohibited from uttering uncomplimentary remarks against Panama's dignity."

In fact, from then on "nationalization" — not "internationalization" — became the chief goal of all the nationalist elements as well as that of the reds and their dupes. Ever since then an enormous steamer bearing the slogan "The Canal is ours" has flown on the university campus.

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By CLARENCE WOODBURY

WHEN S. E. "SID" SELHOST got out of the service after World War II, he had had a bellyful of taking orders. Determined to be his own boss for a change, he got a GI loan, built a small frame house and one-car garage on the Mississippi River near Moline, Illinois, and set up a repair shop in the garage. There he serviced chain saws, power lawnmowers, and other garden equipment.

A fine mechanic and an obliging sort of guy, Sid also helped many of his neighbors with their outboard motor problems. At first he did this for free. But one day when a stranger came from miles away to get him to doctor an ailing motor, Sid realized opportunity was put-putting at his door. He added marine engine repairing to his other lines of work and, almost before he knew it, was in the boating business exclusively.

Since 1949, when he acquired an out-



Charles Hotaling, of Toms River, New Jersey, with a model of an addition to his marina.

board motor dealership, Sid Selhost's plant has burgeoned into an impressive layout with a 30- by 40-foot workshop, a 60- by 80-foot display room, an oil shed, and waterfront filling station. In addition to motors, he sells five types of boats, a wide variety of marine hardware and other accessories. And last year he boosted his sales by promoting a highly successful water ski show. All told, this former odd-jobs mechanic is grossing more than \$250,000 a year from the boating business.

Success stories such as this one are not hard to come upon. With Americans now spending over \$2 billion annually on boating — more than for any other recreation — enterprising small businessmen from coast to coast are gleaning juicy profits serving the needs of boats



For ten days the Motor Boat Show in New York's Coliseum was jammed.

Now is the time to get in on
**The Boom
in Boating**

There are 37,000,000 part-time mariners

in the United States and the number is growing.

and boatmen. And for every opportunity cashed in on, industry spokesmen say, another just as inviting is waiting to be exploited.

These chances for making money are not limited to coastal States or those generously sprinkled with inland waterways. Even in desert regions thousands of people have gone ga-ga about boating, and many of them think nothing of hauling their boats 150 or 200 miles every

weekend to reach water. Throughout the nation there are now 37 million persons who are part-time mariners, and in every State there are dollars to be made providing them with things they want — everything from diesel engines and parking space for their boats to ice cubes for their highballs and babysitters for their youngsters.

Horizons in boating today are comparable, in fact, to those that existed in



This will give you an idea of some of the businesses that cater to the needs of boating enthusiasts.

the auto industry in the 1920's. While only a few big companies made money manufacturing cars, an army of small businessmen cleaned up by opening dealer agencies, garages, filling stations, accessory stores, motels, roadside eating places, and other enterprises to serve the motoring public. Similarly, current opportunities in sidelines of the boating business are all but limitless for the man who has business ability and a bit of money to invest.

These opportunities lie mainly in two

general areas. The entrepreneur can become a retail dealer in outboard motors, boats, trailers, marine hardware, and other merchandise that boatowners need. Or he can buy or lease a piece of waterfront property and operate a marina—an establishment that rents docking or mooring space to boatowners and that may also provide them with mechanical service, gasoline and oil, land storage facilities, food, beverages, and overnight lodging.

Often these two businesses go together.

It is not unusual for a dealer in engines and boats also to provide waterfront services as Sid Selhost does. The larger marina operators generally sell outboard motors and boats. But since the two are separate businesses, let's look at them separately.

To become an engine and boat dealer, the first step is to obtain a dealer's franchise from one of the big outboard motor manufacturing companies. There are fewer than half a dozen such companies (whereas hundreds of concerns build boat hulls and trailers), and they ordinarily don't grant franchises to shoe-string investors. Usually a man must have between \$5,000 and \$15,000 at his disposal to have a fair chance of establishing a successful dealership.

But money isn't all it takes to get a franchise. The manufacturers consider the market potential of the would-be dealer's community, its availability to water, and the competitive situation. Naturally, they don't want his sales to conflict with those of another of their dealers in the same territory.

Manufacturers also size up dealer candidates personally. The one likeliest to succeed, they've found, is somewhat dissatisfied with his present employment—

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More than 650 craft took part in last year's annual Kissimmee Boat-A-Cade in Florida.

By C. W. CASEWIT

THE THREE COMMUNIST fighter pilots ran to their MIG-17's.

The jets lifted off the East German runway. Within seconds they were streaking above the windswept plains of Saxony. Minutes later the pilots sighted their target: hundreds of white specks — propaganda balloons — against the wintry East German sky.

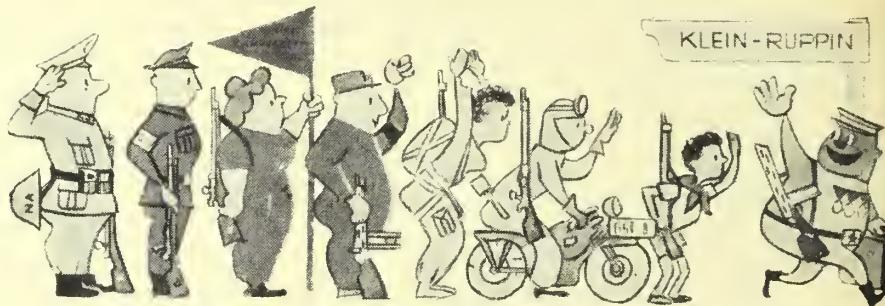
The three MIG's started shooting at once. Their mission was to destroy the balloons before they could reach Leipzig and drop their payload — thousands of little magazines — into East German hands.

The magazines that rated this expensive attention early last year were copies of the satirical, cartoon-filled, eight-page monthly *Tarantel*, the product of Heinrich Baer, a witty West Berlin antiecommunist. Baer's *Tarantel* (the German word for tarantula, a venomous spider) has made the Kremlin's life miserable for the last nine years. In that time 40 million *Tarantels* have been distributed free of charge behind the Iron Curtain. The sheer mass of paper alone would be enough to give the communists a severe headache.

The satirical little magazines with the words "Cost: Priceless" on their covers also enter red territory



Heinrich Baer, the creator of *Tarantel*.



The above cartoons comment on the withdrawal of Soviet troops from East Germany. The red calls for an end to war. Departing, he leaves everyone else in uniform.

He Makes the Reds Look Ridiculous

Communists have little sense of humor. Here

is how this weakness is being used against them.



Balloons like these are used to carry copies of the magazine and Baer's cartoons to people behind the Iron Curtain.

by means other than balloon. They've been smuggled in by foot, bicycle, rowboat, subway. They've been floated down East German rivers in bottles, and exploded by time fuses from roofs of trains bound for the East Zone.

This mammoth cartoon offensive originates in West Berlin, an island still surrounded by the Red Army. The town is still split in four parts, or sectors, an arrangement that the Soviets have been unsuccessfully trying to change. In the U. S. sector, just a hundred yards from East Germany, are the large offices of publisher Baer, the man who likes to tell 'em off by cartoon.

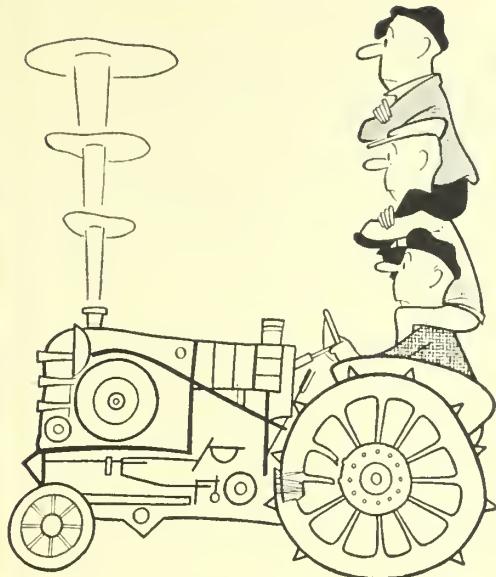
The Kremlin has often stopped Baer,

but it has never silenced him for long.

To illustrate: Sergei Lapin, Soviet Ambassador to Austria, once protested to Leopold Figl, who was then the Austrian Foreign Minister, about the *Tarantel* publisher after Baer had sent copies of his magazine into Vienna to needle the reds there. "Neutral Austria has no right to distribute the magazine!" complained the Soviet Ambassador. As a gesture of politeness, the Austrians agreed. But practically all the magazines had already been given away, and one of Baer's Viennese contacts picked up the rest. Then that evening there was a *Tarantel* on every seat of the Vienna-Moscow express train.



In der DDR gibt es
keine Arbeitslosigkeit!



This cartoon shows clearly why, in East Germany, unemployment is at a minimum.

"Of course you couldn't reach the Minister. I happen to be the Minister."

The pint-sized, high-strung publisher has clearly made monkeys of the Moscow bigwigs. They are so incensed that mentioning the *Tarantel* is forbidden in the East German press and radio.

They are even madder about Baer's many imaginative gimmicks. His mail operation, for example, includes sending the *Tarantel* in envelopes like those used by the East German Secret Police or the Communist Party. Or he will print East German stamps for his *Tarantel*-filled envelopes. Typically, the stamps are humorous counterfeiting jobs. One read: "Work slowly in the UNgerman, UN-democratic Republic!"

Baer's propaganda efforts are not restricted to his magazine; he strikes at the reds through other, equally clever, means as well. Once in a while he will send East German maps to all East Berlin travel agencies. Instead of the usual points of interest, like the opera or art museum, Baer's artists will have indicated red torture chambers, dungeons, or the fancy houses of party bosses. But the map covers look so deceptively innocent that travel agencies have handed out hundreds before discovering their true nature.

Baer has also printed railroad tickets that looked genuine but whose fine print read: "To Siberia for those who don't obey Ulbricht!" And he has swamped Red telephone booths with decals featuring communist U. N. bigwigs and the legend "no long-winded talks!" Having distributed 96 million handbills, leaflets, and posters, plus 40 million *Tarantels*, Baer isn't exactly a hero in the U. S. S. R.

His *Tarantels* frequently reach his readers through the West German Sun-

day papers, which many East Berliners pick up in the Western sector of that city. Most of the town's 1,200 newsstands sandwich Baer's magazine between the pages of the Sunday papers.

When the East German border guards catch on and confiscate the *Tarantels*, Baer invents a new idea to vex them. Not long ago, for instance, he made up an exact replica of an East German magazine, the *Eulenspiegel*. It was the same size, it was printed the same way, and it had the same cartoon styles; only the ideology was different. For once, the *Eulenspiegel* poked fun at the reds, not for the reds.

Going great guns, Baer has also put out a special international *Tarantel* to sting the reds in Italian, Spanish, and French. For East Germany — Baer's main target — he prints an air edition, which is dropped by balloon; a general edition, which is smuggled through the Iron Curtain by every conceivable land conveyance; and a slick paper edition, which is mailed to the party wheels who rule East Germany. (Every month, for example, the paper goes to Gerhard Eisler, the East German propaganda chief.) Apart from telling 'em off by cartoons, Baer has used anecdotes, madcap ads, and such slogans as: "Comrades! You better enjoy East Germany! Siberia will be awful!"

The scrappy publisher, who almost reached Moscow with the German Army during World War II, narrowly escaped imprisonment in Siberia several times. Because of his propaganda work the reds nabbed him shortly after the war, and put him into the Sachsenhausen concentration camp until 1950.



A lesson in why East Germany finds it hard to attain decent living standards.



Baer's faked East German stamp, at left of original. The fake tells Germans to work slowly in the "undemocratic republic."

When he got out, he started his *Tarantel* operation on a shoestring.

An incurable optimist, Baer felt that the East Germans would welcome a magazine like his. He'd boost their morale by making them laugh at their leaders — at goateed, Moscow-appointed party boss Ulbricht; at savage Hilde Benjamin, Minister of Justice; at Molotov, who was a big man during those days; and at Stalin himself.

But he didn't rip his adversaries with hatred; he ribbed them with humor. Baer's humor has earned him thousands of fans, and gifts from all over the world. When *Life* once ran a spread of *Tarantel* cartoons, Baer even received boxes of cigars from a group of New York taxi drivers, and boxes of cookies from a women's club in Kansas.

To keep going and stay alive, Baer uses the many security methods of professional spies. He makes last-minute appointments. Sometimes Baer also drops in to see his friends unannounced. He never speaks about his travel plans;

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The American Legion and

By RANDEL SHAKE

Randall Shake, a WW2 Navy veteran, is the Director of The American Legion's National Child Welfare program.

THE APPRAISAL of child welfare events in and out of The American Legion over the period of four decades is an awesome experience, for the welfare of children is inseparably interwoven in the welfare of the nation and the society of which they are a part.

The lives of children, which are the seeds of the future, are nourished for better or worse by events and forces over which neither they nor their parents have much individual control.

What has been the effect of atom bombs and electric razors; of depression and prosperity; of war and peace; of radar and automatic transmissions for the family ear; of frozen vegetables and the United Nations; of bubble gum and bulldozers? Answers to these questions and thousands like them would undoubtedly help establish bench marks to measure our child welfare successes or failures.

Yet with all the changes in our way of life and living, the first 40 years of The American Legion's child welfare effort stands as glittering proof of a democracy's ability to move with the times and adapt its principles to needs of the day without weakening those principles.

The first 20 years of child welfare in the Legion could probably be characterized as the period of individual case by case approach to the problems of children. This method brought emphasis to the need for community responsibility for the problems of children when families were unable to give proper care and protection. That period of history likewise brought great emphasis to the plight of the economically dependent child.

Changes in our way of living during the second 20 years brought the task of helping to meet society's problems in breadth while remembering that human misery can likewise be measured in depth. This approach has brought emphasis to the legislative and the preventive aspects of the child welfare program.

But let's start at the beginning.

No one can say where or when The American Legion child welfare program

The Legion's record since 1919 on behalf of America's most precious asset—her children.

started. It has been customary to say that it was born on the battlefields of France during the first World War, where shared dangers and hardships created a deep sense of responsibility for the children and other dependents of fallen comrades.

When the first national convention of The American Legion was held in November 1919, the welfare of children figured in at least four of the resolutions adopted by that convention.

For example, resolution No. 18, urged posts of The American Legion to aid widows and children of deceased veterans.

Another resolution asked Congress to make extra allowances for wives and children in the payment of compensation to war-disabled veterans. This recommendation was not adopted by Congress until after WW2.

By 1922, The American Legion had gone through its organization period and was ready to begin its first big effort to insure adequate care for the war disabled. But problems of parents beset their children too.

The best in hospital and medical care was often of little value to the veteran who was worried and distressed about the welfare of his family back home. At the 1922 national convention in New Orleans, the seriousness of this matter was called to the attention of delegates by a member of The American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Donald Macrae, Jr., of Iowa, who later became National President of the Auxiliary.

Although recognizing the importance of child welfare, The American Legion found its finances and energies completely absorbed in the urgent problems of veterans' rehabilitation. It was impossible to establish a separate child welfare program at that time.

Mrs. Macrae, however, enlisted the interest of the Forty and Eight to take over child welfare as its primary re-

sponsibility until The American Legion could do more.

Since that time, both the Forty and Eight and The American Legion Auxiliary have been staunch supporters of the Legion's child welfare program.

The present National Child Welfare Commission of the Legion can trace its origin back to November 11, 1919, when four members of Grant Hodges Post 17, Centralia, Wash., were assassinated by radicals during an Armistice Day parade.

The 1920 national convention approved a recommendation for the establishment of a suitable memorial for these four martyrs. From this idea of a memorial evolved a plan to set up an institution for children of veterans.

A temporary committee appointed to look into this plan was made a permanent National Child Welfare Committee in 1924. Later in 1947, it became the National Child Welfare Commission, with broadened responsibilities. At the same time, the new Commission absorbed the formerly independent Committee on Education of War Orphans.

For a brief period during the early years, the Legion carried on a national institutional program for children of veterans known as billets. They were either operated or started at Otter Lake, Michigan; Legionville, Kansas; Pressman's Home, Tennessee, and Clarksboro, New Jersey.

Even before they were fully in operation, Legion child welfare leaders found that national institutions were not the solution to the problems of children of deceased and disabled veterans.

For practical purposes, the mythical orphan simply didn't exist. Most children of deceased veterans had a mother or at least some other close relative who felt a personal responsibility for them and could see no good reason for sending them hundreds of miles away to an institution. So children to fill these billets were scarce.

...Child Welfare

"A Square Deal for Every Child"



In the second place, institutional care is expensive and the great majority of children are much better off in a family home than they are in an institution.

In 1924, a Legion convention resolution provided that billets should only be used as "temporary clearing houses until other forms of care could be found suited to each individual child." By 1928, The American Legion nationally was completely withdrawn from the institutional field.

During 1924, 1925 and 1926, The American Legion publicly raised a \$5,000,000 Endowment Fund, the earnings of which were limited exclusively to rehabilitation and child welfare. In 1945, the Legion added \$2,000,000 of its reserve funds to the Endowment Fund. Net earnings of the Fund, about \$175,000 per year, are transferred regularly to the Legion to be used for the above purposes.

The 1924 convention approved the employment of a full-time child welfare staff with office space at National Headquarters in Indianapolis. On May 1, 1925, Miss Emma C. Pusehner of St. Louis, Mo., an experienced social worker in the children's field, was employed and became the Legion's first permanent National Child Welfare Director.

In 1925, while billets were still in operation, the Legion began a form of direct aid to children which is still unique in the social work field. It began granting direct financial assistance for individual children of veterans to keep families together during periods of emergency. The Forty and Eight contributed \$25,000 for the maintenance of this program of home aid during 1925-26.

Slightly over \$90,000 has been the maximum spent on direct aid in any one year. Now it averages \$45-55,000. Yet with the added help of the various departments (states) and posts, the results have been more than gratifying.

From the very beginning, the Legion has been a pioneering voice and influence in child welfare. This was reflected during the 1920's and 1930's in the adoption of mother's aid and mother's pension laws by most of the states, and later, in the Aid to Dependent Children provisions of the Federal Social Security

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THE CAPE COD "Bull's Eye" keel sloop designed by Nathaniel Herreshoff is an excellent small sailboat where rough water may be encountered.

Its overall length is 15 ft. 8½ in., its beam is 5 ft. 10 in., its draft is 2 ft. 5 in., and its lead keel weighs 750 lb. The "Bull's Eye" is made of fiberglass and has a shelter cabin. Cost: \$2,021 with dacron mainsail and jib. Weight: about 1,400 lb. Cradled for freight shipment, \$65 extra.

Cape Cod Shipbuilding Co. makes many other sailboats (some convertible to outboard propulsion or rowing) from small dinghies and prams in the \$430-\$645 class to the 23-ft. "Marlin," which, afloat at Wareham, Mass., sells at \$4,895. Cradled for freight shipment: \$165 extra. Dacron mainsail and jib \$299 extra. Sixteen hp. water-cooled engine, starter, generator, and battery—\$1,022 extra. Write E. L. Goodwin, Cape Cod Shipbuilding Co., Wareham, Mass., for illustrated folder and price list.

WINCHESTER-WESTERN has brought out a new, moderately priced version of the .22-caliber Model 69. Good for beginners, the Junior Target Shooters' Special Model 69 has Lyman 57 receiver sights with quarter-minute micrometer adjustments for elevation and windage. It uses Marine Corps-type post front sights. Handles .22 short or long or long rifle cartridges. Has a clip magazine. Five-shot capacity, 25-in. barrel. Cost: \$44.75.

REMINGTON ARMS announces a new high-power slide-action carbine. The new gun is a modification of Remington's famous Model 760 GameMaster rifle. It is light, weighs only 6½ pounds. The new 760C has an 18½-inch barrel and is designed for fast handling and hard-hitting accuracy. Four-shot magazines with one in the barrel give five cartridges in all. Remington claims that it is the only carbine chambered for modern, high-power cartridges.

Offered in model 760C are 30-06, 280 Remington, and 270 Winchester calibers. Retail price: \$115.85.

Also announced by Remington is a new, gas-operated autoloading high-power rifle, featuring "Power-matic action."

The model 742 is the latest in a series of Remington high-power center-fire autoloading rifles. It weighs only 7½ pounds and has a newly designed fore-end. It is extremely accurate and fires very rapidly with the softest possible recoil.

Telescope sights may be attached without interfering with iron sight adjustments. Available in standard and de luxe grades.

Offered in three popular calibers—280 Remington, 30-06, and 308 Winchester. List price standard grade: \$138.50. De Luxe, with checkered stock and fore-end, decorative grip, sling swivels, receiver inscribed with game scenes: \$154.45.



PROFESSIONAL GUIDE'S MANUAL by George Leonard Herter and Jacques P. Herter is the best and most useful book of its kind we have ever seen. We never read so many simply stated, valuable tips for the outdoorsman in one book. It contains more than 200 pages with hard cover, and is profusely illustrated with line drawings and photographs.

The book covers such topics as fishing, hunting, camping, outdoor cooking, boating and canoeing, first aid, and hunting dogs.

There's a wonderful section on hunting whitetail deer. Complete directions and drawings on how to dress a deer. Above is a drawing taken from the book, showing the best way to haul deer out of open country.

The book sells for \$1.25 plus 25¢ for postage. Write to George L. Herter at Waseca, Minn., for your copy.

GENE BRUBAKER, P.O. Box 104, Ramey, Pa., has a simple prescription for an inexpensive dry fly dope. Gene recommends that you mix four parts lighter fluid with one part melted paraffin. He advises keeping the dope airtight in a two-ounce widemouthed bottle. Carry it in your pocket and when you're ready to treat a fly, just dip it in the solution. After a few false casts, you have a high-riding dry fly.

H. V. COBB, R.D. 1, Sarona, Wis., says that you can avoid ticks when you have to go through brush if you spray your shoes and pants to the hips with tick repellent.



SEA WINGS are a comparatively new wrinkle for owners of boats with a hull length of 14 to 16 feet, a hull weight of not over 1,300 lb., and that have been designed for an outboard motor of at least 35 hp.

If your boat fits these specifications, you can attach these hydrofoil sea wings to your craft and really be airborne at 18-20 miles per hour. At 34-36 miles per hour you're going places. The propeller and rudder stay in the water, of course, along with the foils.

Now sea wings come in kit form. The kit contains everything you need: two main foils and a tail foil to attach to your hull. Installation has been simplified so that you can assemble this precision hydrofoil system with handtools. Cost: \$398. Write Dynamic Developments, Inc., Babylon, N.Y., for complete information.



THE PHOTOGRAPH above shows the Smallbore Firing Line at the Sports Park in the Miami area where the Junior Smallbore Rifle Championship will be held during The American Legion National Convention, October 15-20, 1960. Sports Park is located 11 miles west of Miami, on the Tamiami Trail and is devoted entirely to shooting.

If your Post supports a rifle team, it should be represented in these events.

Write to Clement L. Theed, 212 Engle Building, Coconut Grove, Miami, Fla., for further details.

—Jack Denton Scott

If you have a helpful idea that pertains to hunting or fishing, send it along. If we can use it, we'll reward you with a hunting or fishing accessory. Address: Outdoor Editor, *The American Legion Magazine*, 720 Fifth Avenue, New York 19, New York.



NEWSLETTER

APRIL 1960

A DIGEST OF EVENTS WHICH ARE OF PERSONAL INTEREST TO YOU

LEGION SETS PRIORITIES

ON HOT LEGISLATIVE ISSUES:

The American Legion Legislative Commission met in Washington, D.C. Feb. 16-18, and during that session (on Feb. 17) the American Legion tendered its annual dinner to the Congress of the United States.

In its business meetings, your Legislative Commission stressed five of nearly 200 legislative mandates for special attention. They are:

1. Opposition to removal of the "Connally Reservation" pertaining to the World Court.

2. Opposition to Senate Bill 2929 which, if enacted, would rescind loyalty provisions of the National Defense Education Act of 1958.

3. Passage of Senate Bill 105 which would provide educational opportunities for children of ex-servicemen.

4. Legislation to adjust service-connected veterans' compensation payments.

5. The creation of a Senate Veterans Affairs Committee.

The sense of these five priority mandates is summarized below.

1. Oppose Removal of the "Connally Reservation": The so-called "Connally Reservation" prevents the World Court from deciding internal affairs of the United States...Senate Resolution 94, sponsored by Sen. Humphrey (Minn.), proposes to eliminate the "reservation"...Emilio Iglesias (Vermont), Chairman of the American Legion Foreign Relations Commission, told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on Jan. 27: "Now the sole issue presented by Senate Resolution 94 is: are we going to take a chance on making it legally possible for the World Court to render decisions binding upon our laws, our Constitutional guarantees, in short our domestic affairs? The American Legion is not prepared to gamble for such high stakes."

2. Oppose Rescinding the Defense Education Loyalty Oath: College students who wish to borrow U.S. defense funds to further their education are now required to affirm loyalty to the U.S. and opposition

to illegal or violent overthrow of the U.S. government...In S. 2929, sponsored by Sen. Kennedy (Mass.), it is proposed that students no longer be required to affirm opposition to the illegal overthrow of our government in order to receive defense fund loans to further their education...Remember the GI prisoners in Korea who didn't know what they were fighting for?...Passage of this bill by Congress would put in question the very principle for which they were expected to endure torture and death with unwavering loyalty...Congress should bear up under the criticism of some college presidents in support of a principle it may again send youngsters to die for.

3. Passage of S. 105: More than \$100,000,000 of seized enemy assets in WW2 are still on hand...These assets were ceded permanently to the U.S. by former enemies in lieu of other war-indemnity in post-war treaties...Great pressures, including lobbies of foreign origin, have been exerted on the government in recent years to give the money back...In Senator Smather's Bill (S. 105) it is proposed to end the shenanigans and use the money for educational purposes, with a priority to the children of those who fought the former enemies.

4. Adjust Compensation: The last increase in compensation for veterans' war-disabilities was not applied proportionately to all degrees of disability...The Legion seeks amendments so that compensation will again be paid in proportion to disability, as determined by government medical standards of relative disability.

5. Senate Veterans Affairs Committee: The Legion has been asking for this for forty-one years...Two different Senate Committees whose main duties lie in other fields handle vets affairs...The proper study of veterans legislation in the Senate suffers unavoidably as a consequence.

LEGION URGES YOU COOPERATE WITH SPECIAL CENSUS QUESTIONS ASKED ONLY OF VETERANS:

When the 1960 national census begins April 1, a special questionnaire for war

veterans will be left at every fourth household...If you receive one of these, The American Legion urges that you cooperate fully...The Legion, the Congress and the Veterans Administration will rely heavily for ten years on the facts and figures of the U.S. veteran population as obtained in the 1960 census...Formulation of policies, laws and programs pertaining to war veterans will be guided thereby...The American Legion specifically asked the Census Bureau to assist it and the government by including a "veteran census"...In the absence of census figures, veterans programs are guided by guesswork and imagination that is not always reliable--and sometimes is plain hogwash...There's no substitute for facts, and your cooperation with the Census Bureau will help assure a sound base for national decisions on veterans affairs for the next decade.

VETS ELIGIBLE FOR BOTH PENSION AND COMPENSATION CAN CHOOSE EITHER:

Questions are frequently asked of "Newsletter" on the general subject of the right of vets who get war-disability compensation to receive a pension (for non-service-connected disability).

If a veteran is eligible for both, he can elect to choose either...He cannot receive both...A war-disabled vet who has elected to receive pension can, at any time, elect to switch back to compensation--if new circumstances make it desirable and he remains eligible in other respects.

It would be pointless to try to list the many different factors that govern such choices...The reason such a choice makes sense is that pension rates are in some cases higher than war-disability compensation rates where the degree of war disability is not severe...Many war-disabled vets don't have any such choice...While they are eligible for war-disability compensation they are not eligible for pension...Personal income and employability are among the factors that govern pension eligibility, but not compensation eligibility...A vet drawing compensation for a war-disability may have too much income or be too employable to qualify for a pension...He may also lack sufficient degree of disability to be eligible for pension.

Nevertheless, there are many who have a choice of benefits, and if eligible for both can choose the one that pays the highest benefit...In addition, changing personal

circumstances in the future might alter the situation for those without a choice today...So war disabled vets who cannot now qualify for pension at a higher rate should keep it in mind as a possible option in future circumstances...Individual cases should be discussed with a Post service officer.

BEWARE OF SOCIAL SECURITY RACKETS BY CON MEN:

A well-developed racket going the rounds preys on people who are getting Social Security benefits...It usually takes the form of some sort of fake claim that you, the beneficiary, have gotten too much money from Social Security and owe a refund to the government...The con men offer to accept your refund on the spot, either by appealing to your own sense of larceny, if any, by offering a low settlement for prompt payment, or by trying to scare you with threats of penalties that the mighty weight of government will bring to bear on you if you don't ante up now.

There is only one sure defense against this swindle...Take up any alleged claim against you in person with an office that is known to you personally to be a Social Security office...Make sure you know it is a Social Security office, because some of the con men use mailing addresses of offices of their own that sound official, but are actually official thieves headquarters...Your postmaster can always put you in touch with a real Social Security Office if you are in an area where the nearest one is far away...Forewarned is forearmed.

LEGION HANDLES MIGHTY SERVICE LOAD FOR VETS:

A cross-section of vets claims handled by vets organization which stands as a good random sample was recently afforded when the VA decentralized death claims from Philadelphia to its offices in Columbia, S.C. and Buffalo, N.Y....In the process, the VA checked what agencies represented the vets or their families....Total claims numbered 15,053....Almost half the families in these cases jeopardized their claims by having no expert representation....Slightly more than half (7,828) had a vet's service agency represent them....The American Legion served the great majority -- 5,115; the VFW 728; the Red Cross 651; the DAV 301 and the Amvets 33.

NEWS of The American Legion

and Veterans' Affairs

APRIL 1960

Will the Public Support Re-Entry of Reds in Films?

Will the communists regain their former foothold in the American motion picture industry?

That question is now being publicly tested by four different films currently in production or released.

Each of the films uses one or more of five individuals who have been unacceptable to the major studios for thirteen years on the basis of their backgrounds with respect to communism.

Three independent movie producers and three major American film distributors are involved. Two of the producers have made it public that they are making a test case not just of these films and individuals, but of the whole question of the reacceptance of communists into the Hollywood film industry.

All three of the distributors of the four films (Universal - International, United Artists and Paramount) were signers of the Waldorf Declaration, a voluntary promise to the public by the heads of the U.S. movie industry which all four films violate.

The four films are "Exodus," "Spartacus," "Inherit the Wind" and "Chance Meeting."

The five individuals involved are screen writers Dalton Trumbo, Nedrick Young, Millard Lampell and Ben Barzman, and director Joseph Losey.

The public record of all five with respect to communism places them in that category which the industry heads, in the Waldorf Declaration, pledged that "we will not knowingly employ" and "we will forthwith discharge" and "we will not reemploy."

The Waldorf Declaration was issued in 1947. It was reaffirmed last year as the continuing policy of the motion picture producers association.

The three independent producers involved are Stanley Kramer, Otto Preminger and Kirk Douglas.

Paramount was scheduled to release "Chance Meeting" in March. Its script was written by Barzman and Lampell, it was directed by Losey. It was produced abroad and bought from its foreign owners for distribution here and elsewhere by Paramount.

"Spartacus" is now in production by Kirk Douglas' independent firm, Bryna Productions. Universal-International has contracted to release it. Dalton Trumbo was a script writer of this movie.

"Inherit the Wind" is scheduled for release by United Artists. It is being produced by Stanley Kramer, with Nedrick Young as a script writer. Kramer has used Young in the past under the false name of Nathan Douglas.

United Artists is also scheduled to release "Exodus," which is being produced by Otto Preminger. Trumbo was a script writer on this too. He has also been used secretly in the past, with either no screen credit or a false name, according to Murray Schumach, *New York Times* Hollywood reporter.

Of the five men (Trumbo, Losey, Barzman, Lampell and Young) four have been identified as members of the communist party formerly active in the U. S. film industry in open testimony at Congressional hearings. Testimony identifying Young as a communist has "not been made public," says a Congressional report.

Identification as a communist by witnesses does not, in itself, make anyone

unacceptable to the major studios under the Waldorf Declaration. The House Un-American Activities Committee has issued a standing offer to anyone so named to appear and state his own case. Many have done so.

In no case has the Waldorf Declaration been a bar to further employment in Hollywood, even for former communist party members, if they testified frankly to Congress. For instance, screen writer Leo Townsend (who identified Losey and Barzman as former colleagues of his in the communist party in Hollywood) was told by Warner Brothers: "Your testimony will in no way affect your employment here. We feel that anyone who cooperates with the (House) committee is doing the industry a service."

The five individuals now in the news are not in that class.

Trumbo and Young both refused to testify on their identification with communism when questioned by the House Committee.

Trumbo (with nine others) served time in prison for contempt of Congress.

Young railed against the Committee for four and a half pages of testimony without answering the question. He invoked the first, ninth and tenth amendments to the Constitution and finally — on being reminded by the Committee that there were some left — the fifth.

Since their identification as com-

LEGION LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION MEETS



Scene at meeting of Legion's Nat'l Legislative Commission at Legion's Washington office, Feb. 16-18. Legislatve Chmn Jerome Duggan (Mo.) presides (standing, left). This session preceded annual Legion dinner to the Congress of the United States in Washington's Statler Hotel, Feb. 17. For major planning adopted by the Legislative Commission at its February meetings, see summary in Newsletter (facing page).

munists at Congressional hearings, Barzman, Losey and Lampell have made films in Europe.

This winter, producers Kramer and Preminger made it publicly known that in hiring Young and Trumbo they were testing the public attitude toward the complete reacceptance of communists in the Hollywood film industry.

Eaeh, in his own words, said he would employ whom he pleases, using only the standard of the ability of the "artist."

According to each, the only possible danger is that a communist might work red propaganda into his script. Kramer and Preminger say they can prevent that.

According to Kramer, the entire issue is the "right to work." Having "searched his conscience," he says he cannot deny work to communists.

According to several public statements of Preminger, the chief virtue of his position is that he is using Trumbo openly instead of secretly.

The press, radio and TV have been about equally divided on the question, some hailing Kramer and Preminger as daring and courageous, others condemning them for reopening a sensitive American communications and prestige industry to red infiltration.

Commentators who praise the pair seldom use the word "communism." *The New York Times*, which has consistently favored their position, discreetly refers to the individuals in question as "labeled" or "blacklisted" or "politically suspect" or "suspected left-wingers" or as being refused work on "ideological grounds."

Nevertheless, that part of the press that is more attentive to exactness has made no such secret of the fact that the only public issue revolves specifically around communism — not "polities" or "left-wingishness" or "labels" or "ideologies" in general.

The American Legion, being on record against communist footholds in sensitive U. S. communications media, began getting queries about what action it might take — after Preninger publicly announced in January that he was using Trumbo openly.

Answering these queries, National Commander Martin B. McKneally issued a statement in February that the Legion would make public the official records of the people involved, and the implications to both the U. S. film industry and our country of a renewed invasion of American filmdom by Soviet indoctrinated artists. An informed public would make the best decision for America, he said.

McKneally's statement drew violent

reactions from that part of the press that supports the hiring of communists.

His proposal to let the public in on what was going on drew a lampoon of the Legion as a childish boob playing movie director from the *Washington Post's* syndicated editorial cartoonist, Herblock.

The Commander's public information program was labeled "reprehensible" and "Un-American" in a blast from producer Kramer in February that made page one of the *N. Y. Times* — whose movie editor, Bosley Crowther, followed that up with a story equating the Commander's proposal with the "ghost of Joseph McCarthy." Crowther suggested that the big studios join Kramer and Preminger in disavowing the Waldorf Declaration, thus ending all bars to communists in Hollywood.

Other segments of the press either supported the Commander or reported the facts objectively without trying to smear McKneally or the Legion.

With the exception of Universal-International, United Artists and Paramount, the big film firms have kept hands off the whole thing.

If their memories are sharp, they are probably praying that all four "test case" films will go bankrupt for want of customers.

If "Chance Meeting," "Exodus," "Spartacus," and "Inherit the Wind" go over big at the boxoffice, the Waldorf Declaration will be broken and Hollywood will be open to a repeat performance of the horrible nightmare of communist infestation of the 1930's and 1940's — a spectre that no responsible heads of the industry would want to come back to haunt them.

The last time the communists ran wild in Hollywood, they almost wrecked the industry and the reputations of hundreds of film workers whom they snared into the party itself and into red fronts.

The names of Trumbo and Barzman were among many that ran through every phase of that horror.

To the heads of MGM, Warner Brothers, Columbia, 20th Century Fox, etc., the recent statements of Kramer and Preninger that all a communist can do in Hollywood is work stuff into the scripts must sound like the naive prattle of a child.

In the near disaster that communists brought to the industry when their "right to work" was tolerated ten and more years ago, slanting of U.S. movie scripts the Moscow way was acknowledged to be by no means their only sin against the industry and America.

Starting in the early 1930's, plans to take over Hollywood on two broad

fronts were hatched in Russia. A world meeting of communist writers at Khar-kov, Russia, laid down the objective of controlling the U.S. movie artists. The job was entrusted to a hard core of writers, some of whom were exported to Hollywood from New York. Numerous witnesses have identified John Howard Lawson (who later served a prison term for contempt of Congress with Trumbo) as the elder statesman of the Hollywood hard core — with Trumbo, Barzman and others among Lawson's tight little group of intimates.

At the same time, the reds sought a stranglehold on the whole movie industry by organizing all movie-lot labor into one red-controlled union.

Michael Aisenstein, a Soviet Commissar for Heavy Industry, doing business in San Francisco in 1934 as an officer of Amtorg (a Russian firm) has been identified as the original money source for the labor attack on our movies.

The movie lots were under Americau Federation of Labor craft unions. Some of the AFL locals were infiltrated by communist organizers. They started a series of jurisdictional labor disputes and strikes. These emerged as a single drive to destroy all the AFL movie unions and replace them all with a Conference of Studio Unions (CSU) that was under communist control.

Between 1945 and 1947, four strikes were called on the movie lots to break the back of the AFL unions and carry the day for the red-run CSU.

The AFL locals, then led by Roy Brewer, fought back and won a hard, and sometimes bloody battle, chiefly by unmasking the communist nature of the CSU.

Brewer had to battle not only the communists in movie-lot labor, but also communist cells in the movie writers, actors and directors guilds and in the Los Angeles newspaper guild, all of whom got in the act on the side of the communist union.

The red union turned to terrorism when the AFL unveiled it as an arm of the world communist apparatus.

Homes of five AFL men who broke with communist-controlled locals were bombed.

Red-led CSU pickets roamed the streets upsetting police ears, in a big climax strike called by the CSU in 1947. Especially violent scenes took place on the Warner Brothers and Columbia lots. AFL union members and police were assaulted with improvised weapons. For a while, the CSU strikers and imported goons from the longshoremen's union neutralized Los Angeles law enforcement agencies. To restore order on the Columbia lot, hastily re-enforced police

made a mass arrest of 2,000 people. When quiet was restored in the benumbed industry, the scenes of battle were littered with tons of debris, milk bottles, iron bars and chains that the CSU pickets had brought in as weapons against the AFL.

In a different attack to bring the studios to their knees and submit to a Hollywood-wide communist union, a red-controlled AFL local pulled technicians out of the Technicolor labs, sticking the whole movie industry with 20 million undeveloped color negatives.

Meanwhile, communist leaders of cells in the movie arts—following leadership of the writers' hard core—manipulated huge red fronts of movie and Los Angeles professional people. The fronts were largely made up of innocent dupes whose egos the reds carefully tickled. The fronts were swung into action to bring the full force of Los Angeles public opinion behind the "cause" of the CSU.

Huge public rallies were staged, using the prestige of big-name movie people to draw crowds. Then local and imported professional communists harangued the crowds on the "rights of labor" (ie: the right of the CSU to destroy the AFL.)

Moscow placed so much importance on gaining control of the U. S. film capital through its labor unions that top red leaders from other continents were shipped to Hollywood to sway crowds. Vincente Toledano, one of the chief red organizers for Central and South America was shipped north to exhort Hollywood crowds.

At this point the federal government stepped in. Government investigators isolated a small group of men as ring-leaders. Trumbo was one of ten of these who became known as the "Hollywood Ten." All ten were subpoenaed to testify in Congress in the fall of 1947.

Hollywood's biggest disgrace followed. A whole traveling circus of big-name movie people—most of them innocent of the part they were playing as Soviet pawns—accompanied the "Ten" to Washington, where they used their names and prestige to "protest" the right of the government to quiz the "Ten."

Disillusion fell like a sledgehammer on some of the innocents, it took others years to realize what had happened to them.

Most of the traveling circus of stars, playing on the biggest stage of their lives, didn't believe the "Ten" were communists. They thought the "Ten" would deny it and make a dignified protest to the House committee over the "implications" of the questioning. The "Ten" were their friends and had told them so.

To a man, the "Ten" did no such thing. They hurled insults at the Committee of Congress, screamed impreca-

tions, and with a background of Hollywood big name stars as their cheerleaders, tried to give long speeches that were the naked communist line. Asked if they were communists, not one said "no"—all refused to answer.

It would take years for many of the stars who came to cheer to restore their reputations after the sad spectacle of that day. Many would appear on the same stand—some at their own request to set the record straight after their betrayal—and tell the pathetic story of a whole famous community and industry hornswoggled by a handful of cool, purposeful communists.

Such, briefly, is the story of what happened last time. The episode of the "Ten", following hard on the bloody communist strikes, was the first the public knew of the nest of reds that had been harbored for fifteen years on the studio lots.

The public reaction was violent. Box-office receipts were off millions that year. To save the industry, both the major and independent producers associations met in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York in November, 1947, and issued the Waldorf Declaration, a solemn promise to the public—on whose goodwill the industry trades—to fire, not hire, not rehire either known communists nor any who refused to testify frankly to his government with respect to communism.

Hearings continued on and off for six more years, piecing together the inside story of how 288 members of the film

industry had become communist party members and many hundreds of others had been sucked into red fronts.

The printed testimony now adds up to more than 3,000 pages. Few names run through them more consistently than Trumbo's and Barzman's. Screenwriters have told how both actively recruited them into the communist party. Richard Tunberg, President of the Screenwriter's Guild in 1952, identified Trumbo as one of some 78 communists who were prevented from running the 1200 man writers' guild only by intensive organized opposition. "Trumbo was one of their first team," Tunberg testified. Stanley Roberts, a screenwriter who was cajoled into the communist party after nine years of social pressure, identified Trumbo as a communist writer active on behalf of the CSU union battle.

And so runs the testimony of many others.

Other activities of the little clique of red writers included:

1. Collecting funds from the movie colony to help publish the People's World, the Daily Worker, the New Masses.

2. Getting prestige Hollywood names on proclamations of the communist party and communist fronts.

3. Getting Hollywood prestige behind public statements antagonistic to the U. S. government, in conformity to the Soviet line.

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THAT OLD GLORY MAY FLY IN PANAMA



TO MAKE SURE that the Stars and Stripes are very much in evidence in the Panama Canal Zone in view of the recent spread of Panamanian anti-Americanism, American Legion Posts 2 and 3, Gatun, C.Z., have initiated an all-out sale of 50-star American flags, similar to last year's successful 49-star flag sale.

POSTS IN ACTION

Items from our 17,000 posts. Those of most general interest and widest geographical spread are selected, with apologies for the hundreds of others that are so kindly reported to the editors.

Say Fore!—Post 18, Thermopolis, Wyo., has undertaken a \$100,000 community service project — a 9-hole golf course and club house complete with dining room and refreshment facilities. It will be open for limited use late this coming summer.

Child Aid—Post 1138, Prospect Heights, N.Y., sponsors the only Girl Scout Troop in New York City serving mentally retarded, brain injured and controlled epileptic children.

Know Leaders — Post 538, Pittsburgh, Pa., recently held a "Know Your Public Servant" night for the citizens of the community. The ward, city, county, state and federal officials of both major parties took part in the post's Americanism program.

Auto Sparks — Post 435, Minneapolis, Minn., donated a generator-regulator testor to the Minneapolis VA Hospital for use in the manual arts therapy clinic for the teaching of automobile electrical system repair.

Rescue Gear—Post 187, Wisconsin Dells, Wisc., purchased a rescue truck and equipment for the local fire department.

Winter Lore — Post 95, Delevan, Wisc., has sponsored the city's Mill Pond Ice Skating program for the past 4 years. The post provides two rink supervisors and hockey and figure skating instructors for the average 70,000 skaters who use the facilities each year.

Assist Retarded — Post 512, St. Paul, Minn., has contributed \$300 during the past 3 years to the St. Paul Association for Retarded Children to assist in the purchase of toys for the children.

Good Scouts — Post 15, Parkersburg, W. Va., has sponsored Boy Scout Troop 1 in that city since 1925. A 2-story building was erected by the post in 1949 on the Legion property for the exclusive use of the troop.

Emergency Service — Post 374, Lake George, N.Y., collected nearly \$3,000 in a house-to-house canvass for the purchase of a new ambulance for the community which had been without such service for a number of months. The post is also organizing a Legion Rescue Squad to operate the ambulance on a 24-hour basis.

REDS IN FILMS

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information by The American Legion is viewed as the leadership of a public boycott on the four films that now challenge the Waldorf Declaration.

Commander McKneally's announcement that the Legion would publish the facts was headlined by *Daily Variety* in Hollywood as an attack on movie thea-

ter boxoffices launched by the Legion.

A boycott may or may not result. That will depend on how an informed public reacts. The Commander promised that the record would be made known. *Daily Variety's* interpretation would indicate that in its expert opinion, public familiarity with the issue would lead to a boycott of the four films at the boxoffice.

That remains to be seen.

Legion and Auxiliary Help Launch Intensive 1960 Register-Vote Drive

"The time is approaching for the discriminating use of the ballot. It is a time for judicial, not prejudicial judgment.

"... the government of the United States is the possession of all the people of the United States. It is a partnership — the biggest and most representative ever conceived. If our representatives are incompetent and our government short-sighted, we have the single remedy of changing its personnel on election day.

"The trouble is that the young men of the country have not taken a deep enough interest in politics. They have not made of themselves active campaigners for better government. They have failed to vote."

The above quoted words were written 40 years ago by David Lawrence (now a famous newspaper columnist) and appeared in the January 9, 1920 issue of *The American Legion Weekly* in an article titled "At The Point Of The Ballot." (*The American Legion Weekly* was the forerunner of *The American Legion Magazine*).

As far as present voting habits of the

American public are concerned, times have not changed. The failure of our citizenry to register as well as to vote still blights the U.S. election scene.

That's the reason top leaders of The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary, the American Heritage Foundation and the Rexall Drug Company met with some 150 news media representatives in Washington, D.C. on February 24.

It was the launching date of a new nationwide "Let's All Register! Let's All Vote!" campaign . . . the brainchild of John Bowles, president of the Rexall Drug Company and chairman, drug industry participation, American Heritage Foundation.

The new campaign is a natural tie-in for the Legion! It's been participating in such vote promotion endeavors since its very early days. The first Legion resolution on the subject was passed at the 1920 National Convention held in Cleveland, Ohio.

In only its second year of publication (1920), *The American Legion Weekly* (continued on page 34)



Nat'l Cmdr McKneally receives voting information from Rexall President John Bowles.

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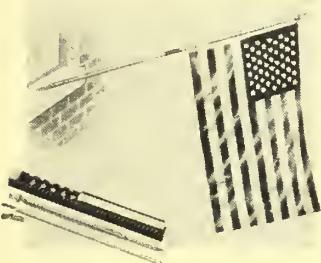
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REGISTER-VOTE DRIVE

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ran a series of 7 articles dealing with the important non-partisan aspects of our governmental system—suggested by the approach of the national elections to be held that year.

The series were written by Everett Kimball, professor of Government, Smith College and author of "The National Government of the United States." They were immediately successful and drew national attention to the Legion's vote promotion program.

Because National Commander McKneally was unable to attend, the February news conference was ably chaired by George N. Craig, a past national commander of the Legion and former governor of Indiana. He noted that the poor voting record of the American public at the polls has been a favorite propaganda line peddled by the communists.

Nat'l Cmdr McKneally's written message to the gathering stressed that the current campaign is specifically directed to encourage the American citizen to register and to get out and vote, and to provide the aids to the voter which will enable him to accomplish these two duties of citizenship.

Both Senator Thruston B. Morton (Ky.), Republican National Committee Chairman and Senator Mike Monroney (Okla.), pinch hitting for Democratic National Committee Chairman, Paul M. Butler, praised the "Let's All Register! Let's All Vote!" campaign.

"An informed electorate and a participating electorate is important and vital in this complex world," said Morton. "The first step is to get people registered and voting. Develop the right political activity by the right people," he added.

Senator Monroney pointed out that 62.5 percent of the eligible voters is the maximum number who have ever voted in one election. "A truly representative government is one that is chosen by the greatest number of its people," he said. "The important factor in a national election is the vote of the shifting 1/2 non-affiliated voters."

In pledging the support of The American Legion Auxiliary, National President Mrs. Vera Gray, emphasized that there is "no better way for the women of America to help settle the questions of the day than by participating 100% in this 'get out the vote' campaign."

Rexall Drug President, John Bowles, who had been chided last summer in Moscow by a Russian guide about the poor voting record of the Americans, was emphatic in his statement that "America's most important weapon is the ballot box."

Bowles further outlined the promo-

tion plans and workings of the campaign.

Here are some of the concrete evidences of campaign promotion the American public will be exposed to within the coming months prior to the elections in November:

- ° 43,000 national ads in 356 newspapers every other Sunday (35 million circulation).
- ° 5 TV spectaculars over 196 stations (40 million viewers).
- ° 300,000 plugs on local radio and TV stations.
- ° 750 local newspaper ads.
- ° 75 million locally distributed circulars.
- ° Ads in leading national magazines.
- ° In stores throughout the country — tags, banners, counter folders, shopping and grocery bag stuffers.
- ° 150,000 bulletins each will be sent to Democrat and Republican headquarters for distribution.
- ° Mail service (pictures, editorials, scripts) and news releases will be provided by Rexall to all media outlets.

Advertising-wise, the American public will be exposed to some 10 billion impressions during the campaign. This even includes stencil markings "Let's All Register! Let's All Vote!" on such things as Sunkist lemons, ladies hosiery packages, avocados, American Banking Association literature, etc.

Perhaps the greatest assist to the voter in this all-out campaign will be the registration and voting information bulletin boards which will be located in all of the nation's 10,000 Rexall Drug stores and any other drug stores that wish to participate.

The information boards are being furnished by the Coca-Cola Company and are available to all American Legion posts.

Each bulletin board in the drug stores will contain local information under these three headings: Who Should Register, Where and How to Register, and Where to Vote.

American Legion posts that use the bulletin boards in their post homes must furnish the local registering and voting information.

Where State laws permit it, voters can even register at the local American Legion post or drug store.

Legionnaires can provide a valuable service to their community by furnishing voters with this available information or by cooperating with the local drug store.

With 17,000 Legion posts, 14,000 Auxiliary units, and 10,000 Rexall Drug stores furnishing registration and voting information throughout the 50 states of the U.S., there should be no excuse for

the eligible voter not to go to the polls to cast his ballot.

If the campaign gains its proper momentum, then the polling places should be deluged in November with a record vote. If so, then it will be a positive answer to the communist nations that Americans are interested in their public affairs.

But first you must register — before you can vote!

ARMED FORCES:**"Power For Peace"**

Up until 11 years ago, each one of the military services celebrated its own special birthday anniversary.

Then in April 1949, the Secretary of Defense with the President's approval announced that the four separate events would be consolidated into a single day of celebration in line with unification of the Services and creation of the Department of Defense by Act of Congress.

Thus was born Armed Forces Day.

The joint observance is intended to symbolize unification, demonstrate the close working relationship of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Reserve Components, and give the public an annual report on the state of the Nation's defenses.

The 1960 observance — on May 21 — will be the 11th annual Armed Forces Day.

As in previous years, the observance will feature "open house" events in posts, camps, stations, bases and defense facilities where hundreds of exercises, exhibits and demonstrations will be presented for civilian guests. In addition, displays will be presented in some 3,000 communities in the continental United States, as well as approximately 5,000 parades.

The Armed Forces Day observance has emphasized the basic concept that our national security and our free way of life depend upon the power which comes from American teamwork and national unity. The 1953 observance was keyed to the fact that the Armed Forces of the United States represent POWER FOR PEACE — A slogan that has been retained each year since.

As the major emphasis of Armed Forces Day is on the primary components of the Defense team, it also involves such organizations as The American Legion which has definite policies and programs relating to defense.

In view of this, National Commander Martin B. McKneally has written to Murray Snyder, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, pledging The American Legion's full support in the observance of Armed Forces Week, May 14-22, 1960.

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All American Legion Posts have been urged by Cmdr McNealy to participate in Armed Forces Day activities in their community.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS:

REV. ROBERT G. BALNICKY, past Dep't Chaplain of the South Carolina American Legion and pastor of McCutcheon Memorial Presbyterian Church, Union, S.C., presented the Four Chaplains Award by Philadelphia's Chapel of the Four Chaplains. He offered the opening prayer in the U. S. Senate on Feb. 11.

W.H. MCMAINS, member of the Legion's Nat'l Legislative Commission, named as vice president of the Distilled Spirits Institute, Washington, D.C.

Died:

ULRIC BELL, first full year Dep't Cmdr of Kentucky (1919-20) and a reporter, city editor and Washington correspondent for the Louisville Courier-Journal for 25 years; in New York City, on Jan. 16.

COLONEL FRANCIS E. DRAKE, a founder of The American Legion, Dep't Cmdr of France (1920-21), Legion Nat'l Executive Committeeman from France (1920-21), and first commander of Paris Post



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1—the first American Legion post; in New York City, on Feb. 13.

JOSEPH A. TREADWELL, past Dep't Cmdr of Connecticut (1932-33) and chmn of the Selective Service in Danbury, Conn., since 1940; in West Haven, Conn., on Feb. 7.

MICHAEL B. HURLEY, past Dep't Cmdr of the Minnesota American Legion (1937-38) and former member of the Legion's Nat'l Americanism Commission; in Pine City, Minn., on Jan. 20.

HARRY E. JACKSON, former member of the Legion's Foreign Relations Commission and New Hampshire Secretary of State; in Manchester, N.H., on Feb. 4.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS:

The citation of an individual Legionnaire to life membership in his Post is a testimonial by those who know him best that he has served The American Legion well.

Below are listed some of the previously unpublished life memberships that have been reported to the editors. They are arranged by States.

Claude L. Gilmore (1959), Post 352, Los Angeles, Calif.
B. B. Jenkins and Joe N. Myres (both 1959), Post 339, Ventura, Calif.
Ben T. Huinet and William G. McRae and John A. White (all 1959), Post 1, Atlanta, Ga.
E. Coleman Speer (1959), Post 2, Americus, Ga.

Frank Chrustka (1959), Post 96, Cicero, Ill.
Joseph M. Jedicakas and Frank Krasauskas and **Joseph A. Paskauskas and Alexander S. Prein** (all 1958), Post 271, Chicago, Ill.

Emery Newbold (1959), Post 319, Monon, Ind.
George A. Carman and Chris Friis and William Rhode (all 1957) and **Roy Bolsinger** (1958), Post 21, Buffalo Center, Iowa.

Lonis Podrasky (1959), Post 359, New Orleans, La.

John G. Klein (1956) and **Julian R. Carter** (1960), Post 36, Chestertown, Md.

Harry H. Hipkins (1954) and **Lonis Getz** (1955) and **Elmer M. Spearing** (1956), Post 39, Bel Air, Md.

T. Frank Lynch and Chester L. Stine and Hubert J. Stotelmyer (all 1959) and **Harry M. Warner** (1960), Post 42, Hagerstown, Md.

Stanley M. Barrett and Maurice J. Boeschel and Percy E. Coakley and Oliver M. Currier (all 1954), Post 47, Havre de Grace, Md.

Katherine K. Anderson (1957), Post 60, Laurel, Md.

Edward P. Harris (1956), Post 67, Snow Hill, Md.

Daniel Connors and Joseph Dineen and Benjamin Gruber and Angus Hanson (all 1960), Post 235, Maynard, Mass.

Jeremiah E. Regan (1959), Post 327, Roxbury, Mass.

Frank W. Blanchard and Olin A. Bullock and Frank I. Dow and John Hehir (all 1959), Post 361, Detroit, Mich.

John Peterson (1957), Post 308, Franklin, Minn.

Lester E. DeBauw (1959), Post 310, Little Ferry, N.J.

Charles H. Dye (1959), Post 311, Atco, N.J.

Edward W. Skelly (1960), Post 30, Albany, N.Y.

Walter J. Best and Frederick W. Hess (both 1959), Post 521, Montgomery, N.Y.

Joseph H. Beale, Sr. and Sam Chataine and Percy Patrick, Sr. (all 1960), Post 587, Fulton, N.Y.

William Tauben (1960), Post 1621, Jamaica, N.Y.

Harry L. Shaffer (1960), Post 554, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Max M. Fife (1959), Post 7, Blackwell, Okla.

Joe L. Bowen (1959), Post 47, Pottstown, Pa.

Howard Peterman and L. D. Rager and C. Wilbert Reeder and Benjamin Renn, Sr. (all 1959), Post 268, Munsey, Pa.

Dr. W. A. Troutman and Jesse O. Zeigler (both 1944) and **G. Floyd Buttington** (1948) and **Paul R. Bingaman** (1959), Post 404, Elizabethville, Pa.

Ernesto Deonaldo and Inocentes G. Dineros (both 1959), Post 5, Manila, P.I.

Herbert A. Wilcox (1959), Post 58, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Danny Gregory (1948) and Tom O. Woody (1958) and Mose P. Griffin (1959), Post 284, Colonial Heights, Va.

Lloyd Berken (1959), Post 436, Wrightstown, Wis.

Post Commanders or Adjutants are asked to report life membership awards to "Life Memberships," The American Legion Magazine, 720 5th Ave., New York 19, N. Y. Date of award is requested in all cases. Receipt of names cannot be acknowledged.

BRIEFLY NOTED:

● Mexico is the first Department to set a new all-time high in 1960. In early February the Department reported 738 members to Nat'l Hdqs.

● Nearly 2600 members have enrolled in the Legion's Extension Institute's 14th term which terminates in June.

● Ohio was the fifth Department to exceed 100,000 members in The American Legion for 1960. The other four Departments are: N.Y., Pa., Ill. and Calif.

● Ohio's Sons of The American Legion Detachment has been declared the winner of the Arthur D. Houghton Trophy—awarded annually to that detachment which attains the greatest percentage of increase in membership over the previous year.

● The Cook County (Ill.) Council of The American Legion recently mailed checks totalling \$1200 to 12 local charity organizations. The donations were made possible by the Legion's annual Fourth of July spectacle held last year in Chicago's Soldier Field.

● The largest collective birthday party in the nation was held last month when some 17,000 Posts and 14,000 Auxiliary Units celebrated the 41st anniversary of the founding of The American Legion on March 15-17.

Commission through normal channels, for further search before referral to this column.

Army

145th Inf, Co L, 37th Div — **PFC Alexander Thibodeau**, wounded by a mortar shell on the right arm, on a highway about 15 to 25 miles out of Manila, P.I., on Feb. 4, 1945. T/SGT Charley Banks (now deceased) was in charge of the platoon at the time. Any persons knowing of this incident please contact Thibodeau at P.O. Box 248, Jeanerette, La. Claim pending.

Navy

Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, Stillwater, Okla. (during period Jan.-Apr. 1944)—**Dorothy Wallace** (now Mrs. Dorothy Zambito), a former WAVES sustained a back injury while pursuing a Navy course of study at the college. Accident was witnessed by several of her classmates and former WAVES. Claimant needs to hear from any of the following: Vivian Walde, Raynel Goldstein, Rose Motew, Martha Voytek, Lois Isaacsen or Lt. Padovan. Write to: Fred W. Engesser, Adjutant, Waldorf-Astoria Post, 301 Park Ave., New York 22, N.Y. Claim pending.

OUTFIT REUNIONS

Reunion will be held in month indicated. For particulars, write person whose address is given.

Notices accepted on official form only. For form send stamped, addressed return envelope to: O. R. Form, American Legion Magazine, 720 Fifth Ave., New York 19, N. Y. Notices should be received at least four months before scheduled reunion.

Army

4th Armored Div—(June) Redo Celli, 29 Colecrest Street, Carnegie, Pa.
5th Recon Troop—(June) John King, 1108 Curdes Ave., Fort Wayne, Ind.

THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS JANUARY 31, 1960

ASSETS

Cash on hand and on deposit	\$ 452,285.29
Receivables	307,991.16
Inventories	441,992.12
Invested Funds	1,928,455.43
Trust Funds:	
Overseas Graves Decoration	
Trust Fund	\$ 263,782.66
Employees Retirement	
Trust Fund	2,864,371.37 3,128,154.03
Real Estate	804,990.15
Furniture & Fixtures,	
Less Depreciation	236,695.17
Deferred Charges	149,028.90
	\$7,449,592.25

LIABILITIES, DEFERRED REVENUE AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities	\$ 479,189.20
Funds restricted as to use	39,433.03
Deferred Income	1,890,728.17
Trust Funds:	
Overseas Graves Decoration	
Trust Fund	\$ 263,782.66
Employees Retirement	
Trust Fund	2,864,371.37 3,128,154.03
Net Worth:	
Reserve Fund	24,185.11
Restricted Fund	20,681.13
Real Estate	804,990.15
Reserve for Rehabilitation	427,544.30
Reserve for Child Welfare	64,643.65
Reserve for Convention	45,000.00
Unrestricted Capital	\$1,387,044.34
	525,043.48 1,912,087.82
	\$7,449,592.25

10th Armored Div—(Sept.) Paul Kosmas, 26301 Hoffmeyer, Roseville, Mich.

18th Ry Engrs (WWI)—(June) Robert H. Graham, 1186 Monterey Ave., Berkeley 7, Calif.
23rd Field Hosp—(Aug.) George B. Sparks, 204 Hillcrest Drive, Union, S.C.

26th Engr, Eastern Div (WWI)—(May) George S. Dodd, 445 Huntington Road, Union, N. J.
29th Inf—(Sept.) John J. Gavin, 5651 Angora Terrace, Philadelphia 43, Pa.

82nd Airborne Div—(July) Thomas E. Price, 9055 SW 68th St., Miami, Fla.

84th Inf—(Aug.) David Laing, W. Church St., Eden, N.Y.

93rd Armored FA Bn—(June) Carelton Hagedorn, 518 E. Broadway, Waukesha, Wisc.

95th Inf—(Aug.) 95th Inf Div Assoc, P. O. Box 1274, Chicago 90, Ill.

102nd Ammo Train (WWI)—(Sept.) Harold L. Clarke, 2802 Ferndale Place, Utica, N.Y.

106th Inf—(July) James E. Wells, Hepzibah, Ga.
121st Inf—(May) M/Sgt Jesse T. King, 488 First St., Macon, Ga.

126th Inf, Co M (WWI)—(June) George Quick, 644 Three Mile Rd. N.E., Grand Rapids, Mich.

128th Inf Hdqrs Co (WWI)—(June) W. E. McKeand, 307 Craig St., Fort Atkinson, Wisc.

131st AAA (WW2)—(June) George N. Tuman, 8720 Verree Rd., Philadelphia 11, Pa.

150th Eng Combat Bn—(May) Raymond McCarroll, 381 Elm St., West Springfield, Mass.

203rd AAA, Btry D—(July) Kenneth J. Furge, 204 E. Foster Pkwy., Fort Wayne 5, Ind.

31st Inf, Co I (83rd Div)—(June) Edward Nagel, 1208 Strahay Place, Pittsburgh 20, Pa.

431st Signal Bn (AVN)—(Aug.) Archie E. Goode, 351 W. Parkwood Road, Decatur, Ga.

457th AAA Bn, Btry B—(July) Verner L. Macom, 132 Whittemore, Pontiac, Mich.

648th Tank Destroyer Bn, Hdqrs Co—(Aug.) Francis J. Guidry, 913 Grand Point Ave., Breaux Bridge, La.

713 Ry Operating Bn—(July) L. N. Adams, 3561 Harley Road, Toledo 13, Ohio.

724th Ry Operating Bn—(June & Aug.) J. D. Hansard, 115 Francis St., College Park, Ga.

729th Ry Operating Bn—(Aug.) Albert H. Colello, 4251 Fourth Ave., Altoona, Pa.

733rd FA Bn—(July) Lewis H. Wilhite, 15564 N.E. 10th Court, N. Miami Beach 62, Fla.

782nd Engineering Petroleum Distribution Co—(July) Earl J. Ruxer, 41 W. Maryland St., Evansville, Ind.

842nd Eng Avn Bn—(Sept.) Richard A. Banig, 3493 Trumbull St., Bellaire, Ohio.

863rd Ord Heavy Auto Maintenance Co—(Aug.) Hans G. Ehlers, Gretna, Nebr.

882nd FA Bn, Btry A, 70th Div—(June) Wayne L. Brannon, 630 N. First St., Vandalia, Ill.

ADAK (Aleutians), Post QM—(Aug.) Bob Vanduyne, RR #1, Rochester, Ind.

American Div—(May) Thomas McQuade, 30 Sunny Plain Ave., Weymouth, Mass.

Medical Detachment, 141st Inf, 36th Div—(June) Roger M. Smith, 901 Maple St., Lockhart, Tex.

Original 120 (WWI)—(Sept.) Fred Samble, RFD, Hampden, Mass.

Tank Corps (WWI)—(May) John J. Conlon, 98-11 Queens Blvd., Rego Park 74, N.Y.

Navy

3rd Special Seabees—(July) Harry J. Tegeler, 3133 Westwood Northern Blvd., Cincinnati 11, Ohio.

8th Seabees—(Sept.) Edward Sanford, 15 Elliott Road, Trumbull, Conn.

25th Special Seabees—(Aug.) Louise Mutz, Edinburg, Ind.

60th Seabees—(Sept.) Mrs. William Meltzer, 12944 Iowa Ave., N.E. Alliance, Ohio.

79th Seabees—(June) Dan Matranga, 5232 Rambler Way, Sacramento 21, Calif.

U.S.S. Delta—(Aug.) David T. Lentz, Jr., Box 63, Ardara, Pa.

U.S.S. Jack Miller (DE 410)—(Aug.) Harry A. Irwin, 511 E. Prospect, Fort Collins, Colo.

U.S.S. Massachusetts—(May) Benjamin D. Schuman, Somerset Hotel, 400 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass.

Fleet Marine Force (Concurrent Reunions)—(June) Benjamin F. Hearn, Jr., 1315 K St., N.W. Washington, D.C.

LST 981—(July) Joe Bandura, 1008 E. Jefferson St., Butler, Pa.

U.S.S. Nevada—(Oct.) Frank Slavin, 214 Termino Ave., Long Beach, Calif.

Air

10th Troop Carrier Sqd (60th TC Gp)—(Aug.) John Diamantakos, 1938 N. Argyle, Hollywood, Calif.

325th Fighter Gp—(June) Stanley L. Wilson, Zelienople, Pa.

434th Troop Carrier Gp (71st Sqd, Glider Mechs)—(June) Howard Johnson, 4802 Ottawa, Kansas City 6, Kan.

437th Troop Carrier Gp—(Aug.) Sid Rice, 139 Superior St., Michigan City, Ind.

American Balloon Corps Vets, 14th Balloon Co (WWI)—(Sept.) Colonel Glen R. Johnson, 928 Devonshire Rd., Dayton 19, Ohio.

COMRADES IN DISTRESS

Readers who can help these comrades are urged to do so.

Notices are run at the request of The American Legion Nat'l Rehabilitation Commission. They are not accepted from other sources.

Readers wanting Legion help with claims should contact their local service officers.

Service officers unable to locate needed witnesses for claims development should refer the matter to the Nat'l Rehabilitation

MORGAN FRANKLIN AND ME

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approach. About 50 feet away, he recognized me and straightened up a bit. He even seemed soldierly for a few minutes. About 10 feet from me he stopped, brought his rifle to "port arms," and, flashing the biggest grin of welcome you ever saw, he said, loud and clear: "Halt. Look who's heah!"

Right away I realized I had again been led astray by his natural salesmanship. In short, I'd been taken.

"You mean 'Halt. Who is there?'" I corrected.

"Yes, suh," he replied, grinning.

"Well, are you going to salute?" I asked.

"Oh, 'scuse me" he said, dropping his rifle butt to the ground, holding the muzzle with his right hand, and saluting me with his left.

"No, no, no, Morgan. Come to 'present arms,'" I said a little desperately.

"Yes, suh," he replied merrily and did so.

I returned his salute and asked: "Do you know your General Orders?" fearing what the answer would be.

"Wal, suh, Ah don't exactly know 'em all," he said, making the understatement of the evening.

"What is the first General Order?" I asked.

"Ah don't know that'n so well."

"How about the second?"

"Ah don't know that'n very well, either."

"The fourth?" hopefully.

"Ah caint remember."

"Do you know any of them?" I asked in complete desperation.

All at once he stopped being "soldier" and reverted to "civilian farmer." His rifle once more rested on the ground, he slumped over in a relaxed pose. Scratching his head, he said: "Lootenant, suh, Ah'm a little slow in learnin' these things; but if Ah ever gits 'em, Ah sho 'nuff remembers 'em."

"Come to attention!" I fairly shouted.

"Yes, suh," he said with no malice or embarrassment.

Another standard line of questioning for guards involved the names of their various commanding officers.

"Morgan, who is your company commander?" I asked.

"You is," he replied, logically.

"Well, what is my name?"

"Lootenant Harmon, suh."

"All right. Who is your battalion commander?"

"Ah don't rightly know, suh."

"It is Major Kneese?" I said.

"Yes, suh."

"Who is your regimental commander?"

"Major Kneese."

"No, no, Morgan; he is your battalion commander. Colonel Fry is your regi-

mental commander."

"Yes, suh. Kunnel Fry."

"Now who did I say was your battalion commander?"

"Kunnel Fry."

"No, no, no, Morgan. Colonel Fry is your regimental commander."

"Yes, suh."

"All right, now let's start over. Who is your company commander?"

"You is."

"I know I is—I mean, I am, but what is my name?"

"Why you is Lootenant Harmon, suh," he replied as though I had suddenly lost my mind. He was not far from right.

This went on and on until I was satisfied that he knew nothing of what he was supposed to know or what he was supposed to do.

Finally I had the sergeant of the guard switch Morgan to a post behind the row of latrines, with strict orders to duck out of sight if he saw anyone coming. This was right down his alley, and we finished the night and the next day without serious incident.

The next day after we had been relieved—and what a relief—Morgan came up to me and asked: "Lootenant, suh, how did we do?" as though he had been the star pupil of the entire guard.

I started to explode, but I saw his face wreathed in an expectant grin. I just didn't have the heart to punish him.

Orders came down from regimental headquarters to make sure that all men carried a first aid packet on their cartridge belts whenever they were at drill. Checks were made and we were satisfied that each soldier in our company was equipped. A week or so later as we were returning to the company street from drill, the regimental commander himself was waiting for us. I brought the company in and reported to the colonel. He wished to inspect the men for first aid packets. Confidently, I made the rounds with him. You guessed it: Morgan's belt held no first aid packet!

"Soldier, weren't you told to wear your first aid packet at all times while in the field?" asked the colonel.

To my dismay, the answer came back in a rather hurt tone. "Naw, suh, nobody tolle me."

Well, a first lieutenant just doesn't argue with a colonel. So I said, "No excuse sir," about a dozen times during the colonel's lecture; then he left.

After dismissing the company, I descended upon Morgan. "Morgan, didn't your sergeant tell you to wear your first aid packet?"

"Yes, suh."

"Well, why in blazes didn't you tell the colonel the truth?"

A mischievous grin played around his

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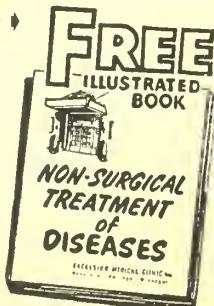
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lips while his eyes pleaded for a little understanding. "Lootenant, suh. Ah'm scareda' thet kunnel, but Ah know you ain't; so Ah jes' let you handle him fer me."

Similar incidents piled up throughout the training cycle until at last, about two weeks before he was due to be shipped out to his next assignment, Morgan sidled up to me during a break in the training exercise. "Mornin', Lootenant, suh."

"Hello, Morgan, what's your trouble today?"

"No trouble, Lootenant. Ah was jes' thinkin' Ah'd like to stay heah and hep you train recruits."

A cold shiver went down my back.

"My cadre is filled, Morgan; I don't have a place for you. Why don't you want to be assigned to a tactical outfit?"

"Well, suh, you an' me understans one another. The nex' company commander I git might not be as good as you."

That was the nicest compliment I ever received—I think!

The training cycle came to an end, and Morgan and about 30 others were ordered to a quartermaster truck unit on the west coast. I was in my office busily winding up the paperwork on the day they were to leave, when my first sergeant came in. "Private Morgan Franklin wants to see you, sir."

"OK, Sergeant, send him in."

Morgan walked in, shoes shined, class "A" uniform pressed and neat, looking every bit the soldier he claimed to be.

"Lootenant, suh, Ah come to say goodby."

"Thanks, Morgan, I'm glad you did."

The grin left his face, and for the first time in our association he looked apprehensive.

"Lootenant Harmon, suh, would you shake my hand?"

I must admit that this unexpected request surprised me for a moment, and I

just sat there. Morgan's eyes showed the beginnings of pain and embarrassment as his faith in me as a man began to waver.

"I'd like that very much, Morgan," I said, rising to my feet and walking around my desk. A firm handshake bridged the gap between first lieutenant and buck private. For a split second we were just two of God's creatures.

The old jaunty bearing and the familiar devilish grin came flooding back as he said: "Goodby, Lootenant. Ah'm gonna miss you. Sho 'nuff."

"Goodby, Morgan. I'll miss you too. Good Luck."

As he swaggered out of the door and out of my life, I almost envied his future company commander. Oh, he would have plenty of headaches with Morgan, but never a dull moment. Like I said, every outfit should have a Morgan Franklin. Sho 'nuff!

THE END

APPEASEMENT IN PANAMA

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Dr. Roberto Arias, Cambridge University graduate and son of Dr. Harmodio Arias, was then his country's youthful Ambassador in London, and he made himself spokesman in Europe for the nationalization movement. Later he resigned, largely because President Ernesto de la Guardia failed to back him up.

In April of 1959 young Arias enlisted the help of followers of Cuba's Fidel Castro in an attempt to overthrow the de la Guardia administration. Meantime, members of this ill-fated expedition revealed that in addition to ousting the government, they had been scheduled to make a "token invasion" of the Canal Zone. Apparently the purpose of this move was to create an international incident or an excuse to take the dispute to the United Nations. Had this been accomplished, the Russians and the Arab states would have been able to join openly in demands for "justice to Panama."

Although this stratagem failed, the planners devised still other schemes to harass Uncle Sam. Drs. Aquilino Boyd and Ernesto Castillero, former Minister of Foreign Relations and Vice Minister of Foreign Relations respectively, announced plans to celebrate Panama's independence from Colombia on November 3, 1959, by a "march on the Canal Zone." Boyd said this would be a "peaceful demonstration," merely to show the flag in the zone.

Even if Boyd had been sincere, the communists and extremists had other plans. When the march began, they sent their agitators and goons into the procession and turned it into a bloody

riot in which at least 75 Americans—soldiers, police, and civilians—were injured. "Plants" in Government telephone exchanges and radio stations passed out word that the National Guard was to remain in barracks, which it did, leaving the Canal Zone police and military forces to battle the attackers alone.

When the American forces stood their ground—against degrading insults, threats, stone throwings, and foolhardy onslaughts against tear gas bombs—the rioters, like the immature kids they were, slunk away into Panama City and vented their angry emotions on U. S. business firms and properties. But the masterminds behind the scenes had not given up. Three weeks later they led another demonstration against the Canal Zone. This time the Panamanian National Guard managed to get on the job and quell the rioters.

Meantime, the State Department had sent Under Secretary of State Livingston T. Merchant to Panama City to confer with officials of the Republic and the Canal Company regarding the difficulties. Although Mr. Merchant insisted that Panamanian authorities maintain order and protect U.S. life and property in the Republic, he indicated that Panama is the "titular sovereign" over the Canal Zone, whatever that means.

Panamanians insist that the Under Secretary agreed that their flag might be displayed in the zone. In fact, it is the opinion of a number of people high in our own Government that this concession would not impair our rights.

Mr. Merchant had hardly arrived back in Washington when the Pan-

amanian Foreign Minister, Miguel J. Moreno, Jr., complained to the press in Panama City that he had "not yet received any word from the U. S. Government that it intends to satisfy Panama's complaints." He expressed impatience that the State Department had not taken action to have the flag hoisted.

At the moment a hot presidential campaign is on, with elections scheduled to take place in early May. Meantime, no Panamanian official or politician is likely to counsel moderation, much less take a stand against anti-U.S. attacks.

Latin American diplomats in Panama City have reported to their governments that more violence and demonstrations are to be expected.

The most responsible Americans on the isthmus are agreed that the Panamanian politicians as well as the merchants will not only continue to insist upon but will take all the material concessions they can get and will encourage the communist-nationalist groups to keep calling for nationalization.

The strategy now is evident, and it bears unmistakable communist earmarks. First, keep stoking the propaganda mills, keep shouting about "injustices heaped upon helpless little Panama by the powerful Yankee colossus." Eventually a lot of people will begin to believe it.

Second, it may be possible somewhere along the line to create an incident, perhaps the accidental killing of a Panamanian student by a U.S. soldier or policeman. Then a wave of righteous wrath will sweep all Latin America. As one diplomat puts it: "There will be demands in the Organization of Ameri-

can States, the United Nations, and throughout the communist world for an end to unilateral domination of this world waterway."

Indeed, most Panamanians already are convinced that eventually they will be able to pressure us into sharing jurisdiction over the canal as well as the zone. We ourselves have given them good reason to believe their dream can come true. Their efforts so far have borne abundant fruit. We have yielded to pressure and have made two major revisions of the original treaty. Each time the Panamanians received more than any of them ever expected to get.

They consider our position regarding Suez as a precedent. In effect, we approved the nationalization of that waterway by Egypt.

Some of our most influential political leaders have come out for what they call "a new approach" to the canal question. Way back at the Potsdam Conference, President Harry S. Truman started the ball rolling. With "Old Joe" Stalin listening, Mr. Truman proposed that all strategic waterways be internationalized, and he has repeated the proposal.

A few weeks ago presidential hopeful Senator Hubert Humphrey took up the idea. The Minnesota Senator said, in effect, that we have two alternatives in the Panama Canal Zone. We can work out a cooperative program with the Republic of Panama, giving Panama more voice and rights in the Canal Zone. Or we can go to the United Nations and offer to internationalize the canal, providing the same is done for other international waterways.

Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee on Latin America, recently hired a study group from Northwestern University, at the taxpayers' expense, to look into and recommend a plan for disposing of the Panama Canal question. The report recommends what it terms "regionalization" of the waterway; that is, giving the nations of this hemisphere some say in the affairs of the canal. The Northwestern University professors went on to say that the Council of the Organization of American States might establish an advisory canal commission, which would supervise traffic studies "including the long range problem of arranging for a second canal across Nicaragua."

The group also said that later moves might include giving the Organization of American States representation on the Board of Directors of the Canal Company and the transfer of canal stock in small blocks to the hemisphere body. "By regionalizing the canal in this way," the professors concluded, "we avoid the political dilemma of internationalizing it through a divided United Nations, or

having it eventually nationalized despite ourselves by the Panamanians."

Unfortunately, too few of our own people — those in authority as well as average citizens — seem to know the main facts about the Panama Canal, its origin, and purpose. The isthmus has always been a strategic artery of transportation. It was the route the Spanish conquerors took to western South America, to the riches of Peru, Bolivia, etc., in the 16th century.

In 1856, when our own people were pioneering to California, U. S. citizens built a railroad across the isthmus and thousands of settlers traveled to the Pacific Coast by that route. In 1880 a French company headed by Ferdinand de Lesseps, who previously had dug the Suez Canal, attempted to build a canal across Panama. Lack of money, the ravages of disease, and innumerable difficulties and hardships forced de Lesseps to give up.

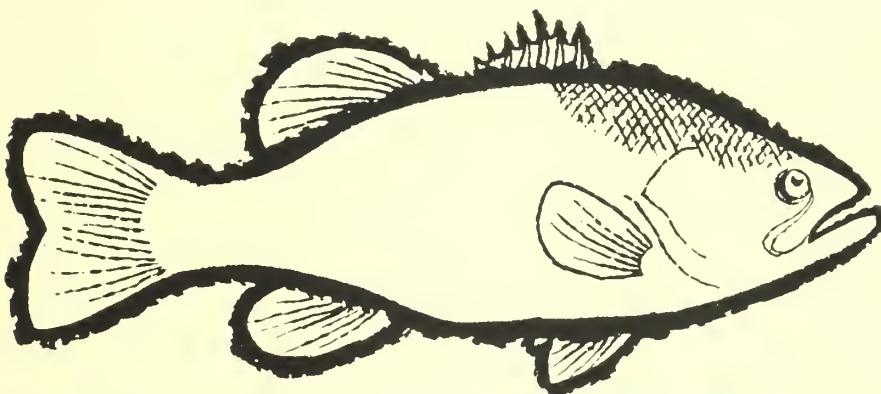
By then (1889) we were becoming a great naval power. During the Spanish-American War we had found it a hazardous undertaking to transfer our fleet from the Atlantic to the Pacific by way of Cape Horn. Also our Pacific Coast and the new Territory of Alaska were practically undefended. It became a matter of the utmost strategic urgency to find a shorter route.

In 1899 the United States bought the French rights and holdings, but found objections from Colombia, of which Panama was then an isolated northern province. On November 3, 1903, the Panamanians seceded from Colombia, and President Theodore Roosevelt recognized the newly organized Panamanian government on November 6. Twelve days later we signed a treaty with the new Republic, which gave us the right to construct and operate the canal.

Article II of that document grants the U.S. "in perpetuity" complete jurisdiction over the 553 square miles that make up the zone. Article III further states that Panama grants to the U.S. "all the rights, power and authority within the zone mentioned and described in Article II . . . to the entire exclusion of the exercise by the Republic of Panama of any such sovereign rights, power or authority."

To seal the bargain, we paid the new government \$10 million in cash and pledged ourselves to pay annually thereafter \$250,000, which in 1955 was upped to \$1,930,000. During Woodrow Wilson's administration we paid Colombia \$25 million, as a friendly gesture and in token of damages it had sustained.

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what we actually got from them by treaty, and for which they received what then was a considerable sum of money, was a mere strip of sodden, disease-ridden jungle and marshland, most of it totally uninhabited.

Since 1903 we have built a canal that accommodates the ships of the whole world. Our scientists and doctors turned the swamps, as well as the two main Panamanian cities, into virtual health resorts. We have built hospitals, schools, homes, highways, stores, and shops, as modern as any in the world. We have also built all the facilities necessary to operate and defend the biggest single Government-operated industrial setup outside the U. S. itself.

Although we are accused of reaping billions from this project, to date U. S. taxpayers have spent more than a billion and a half dollars on its construction and maintenance; but they have received from it only a little over \$965 million in tolls.

Meantime, the Panamanians who spent nothing to put it there, and who take no risks in making it function and pay its way, daily reap a windfall of benefits and profits from it.

But regardless of what happened in the past, and entirely aside from the question of whether this country has or has not been financially generous to the Government and the people of Panama, the question now arises: What is for the ultimate best interests of all concerned in the operation and maintenance of this vital waterway?

Obviously it is of the utmost importance to the other nations of this hemisphere and to the world in general, as well as to our own country and to Panama, that it be maintained in perfect condition and operated by highly trained personnel and experienced directing heads. Those in charge should also be men of unusual economic and financial ability, if they are to make wise policies for a multimillion-dollar corporation that by law has to be self-supporting.

Anybody with even a cursory knowledge of the Panamanian population knows that the little Republic does not have the means or the know-how to do either. Even if enough Panamanians were technically trained to do the job, the instability of the country would be a danger to the safety and dependability of the canal's operation. From 1949 to 1959 there have been seven different Presidents, almost one a year, not one of whom served out his term. President de la Guardia may succeed in squeezing through until next May, although he already has experienced several close calls.

The Panamanians still insist that we do not pay their people the same wages that we pay North Americans. Of course, this is not true. It may have been in the past, but not since the last treaty revi-

sions. Since then, a Panamanian who does the same job that a North American does gets the same pay, the same promotions, the same benefits.

Since so many Panamanians engaged in agitation against the United States, and participated in violent attacks on canal properties, the question of security of the installations becomes an all-important consideration. Those responsible for any organization as vital to national and hemisphere defense as the Panama

the 1903 treaty. Especially since we still are in the midst of a dangerous cold war with communist nations.

Nor is the mere fact that Panamanian leaders have changed their minds and now want to revise the treaty, not to say nullify it, sufficient reason to go along with them. No doubt Mexicans would like to revise the treaty that ceded California to us, so that their flag might again fly over this rich territory. France might like to have the treaty by which we acquired Louisiana and the vast western territories that went with it overhauled.

The insistence upon flying the Panamanian flag in the zone, "as a token of titular sovereignty," now the prime goal of the isthmian crusaders, is merely a ruse, a Trojan horse. Once there, it would be pointed to as an acknowledgement of total, not titular, sovereignty. It would be an excuse for the extremists to demand more "tokens" of Panamanian power. They could point to the flag as a supreme demonstration of U. S. deceit—"Washington admits the Canal is ours but won't let us rule over it."

Even if it were logical and wise to make political concessions, or if there were no threats of a future war, this is no time even to discuss the matter. You don't make concessions when an organized mob is converging on your house.

We have become the great Western power, but we don't act the part. We are still anxious to be loved by everybody. We cringe every time some government, even a shaky one, or some extremist group criticizes or throws spitballs at us.

Nobody loves a great power. Nobody loved England when Britannia ruled the waves. But they respected her. She went straight down the road of what she thought was her duty. She lived up to her treaties and obligations and expected others to do likewise.

The U. S. Government has the same right and the same obligation to demand that Panama, the other party to the treaty of 1903, live up to its obligations, to its word, its signature. That is what the treaty was for.

Finally, it is time for the administration and the Congress to stop trying to please everybody; such efforts mean that we usually end up pleasing nobody. It would be an innovation, and the people of the U.S.A. no doubt would shout "Hosanna," if the White House and Capitol Hill would act as the responsible protectors of American rights abroad that they are supposed to be.

One thing is certain: Our rights and our obligations in the matter of the Panama Canal and its operation and protection, are at stake.

At least it is time for our leaders to speak with one voice, and not as if they were the inmates of a tower of Babel.

THE END

THE AMERICAN LEGION'S POSITION

At the 41st National Convention of The American Legion, August 25-27, 1959, the Committee on Foreign Relations reported:

I. We reaffirm our opposition to any proposal or effort to change, in any way, the status quo of the Panama Canal.

The Convention adopted a resolution (No. 645) that called upon "our Government to promptly and rigorously use all means within our power to prevent the establishment or continuance of any Communist or Communist-controlled government within the Western Hemisphere," and urged "all American Republics to join with our Government in the elimination of this threat to the freedom of the peoples of the Western Hemisphere and of the world."

Canal would hesitate to promote or put Panamanians or any other than U. S. citizens in charge of strategic posts.

The Panama Canal is not only a vital artery of transportation but also a critical link in our own national defense. It is equally important in the defense of all the southern republics. None of them likes to admit it, of course, but not one of the 20 countries could defend itself against an attack by modern weapons.

The U. S. is Latin America's sole defense in any major war. The canal is the sole means of shifting war vessels from one ocean to another quickly; it is also an indispensable supply line. Unless we control it, it would be of little use in any emergency.

Aside from the fact that nobody else put a penny into its construction, least of all the Panamanians, these were among the chief reasons for making a treaty which gave us complete jurisdiction over the zone in the first place. Divided authority and jurisdiction, which could cause disagreement and confusion at a critical moment, would give an enemy great advantage and would kill the efficiency of the operations in normal times.

The very fact that we are committed to NATO, the Rio Defense Treaty, the Western Hemisphere and the Southeast Asia alliances is a further reason for maintaining the political provisions of

THE BOOM IN BOATING

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a man eager to make money and get ahead in the world. He should be both progressive and aggressive, the marketing experts say. And should be convinced the motor he is going to handle is the best on the market.

Mechanical ability is another big plus in the would-be dealer's favor. By servicing the motors he sells, he can offer his customers a better deal than most of the chainstores and mail-order firms that handle outboards.



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For example, the Kiekhafer Corporation, which builds Mercury Outboards, offers every new dealer or his mechanic or both a free two-week training course in one of the company's eight service schools scattered over the country. Instruction includes not only disassembly and reassembly of engines but covers factory-approved techniques for testing, servicing, and making repairs. Thus the "graduate" is equipped to handle expertly any mechanical problem likely to arise in his dealings with customers.

Another thing the new boat dealer must have is a good location. The ideal spot for a sales emporium, the experts say, is one that faces a busy highway and backs up on a body of water where customers can launch the boats they buy. Such dream locations are hard to find and by no means essential, but it is considered vital to have ample space to make an attractive display of boats and engines where many passers-by will see them.

Not as many customers enter a boat shop as visit a corner drugstore, of course; but since those who do come in may make important purchases, it is necessary to have someone on duty constantly to wait on them. For this reason, many small dealers, who are occupied much of the time with service work in

the rear of their establishments or at the waterfront, have their wives mind their sales departments.

The busy Covals' Marine Service at Haekensack, New Jersey, for example, is operated exclusively by Al Covals and his two sons, Al Jr., aged 30, and John, 28. Formerly the proprietor of a small hobby shop, Al Sr. started selling outboard motors in 1946. He sold only six of them that year. But by shrewd management and promotion, he gradually increased his market, moved to a more favorable location on State Highway 17, and took his two boys into the business. During 1959 this family business grossed more than \$500,000.

The average small entrepreneur cannot expect to build up a business like that right away, but he can anticipate a gross return of about 20 percent on his sales — which is higher than the yield in most comparable lines. Thus, if he sells 100 motors a year and a boat and trailer to go with each motor at a package price of \$1,150, he will take in \$115,000 and have a gross profit of \$23,000. His net profit will depend upon his overhead, of course; but it should run between \$10,000 and \$18,000, depending usually upon whether he employs a mechanic or runs his service department himself.

Even in the northernmost States the boating business is no longer a seasonal industry. Instead of going into hibernation, the progressive dealer stages closeout sales during September and October. In November he introduces new models for the coming year. In December he pushes Christmas sales. In January and February he exploits the publicity resulting from motorboat shows during those months. In March and April, the big refitting months, he promotes the sale of replacement equipment. Then, with

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Which brings us to that second, and even more glittering area of opportunity — the marina business. All across the nation there is a crying need for in-water boat parking space and, consequently, for marinas. According to the National Association of Engine & Boat Manufacturers (NAEBM), some 520,000 boatowners are on waiting lists for space in marinas right now, and 1,000 new marinas are needed. Furthermore, the demand is sure to increase. Another 2,250,000 boats could be sold, the NAEBM estimates, if slips for them were available.

Because of the enormous demand for marina berths, the profits to be made dealing in them are extremely attractive. Over the United States, the average rentals collected for slips for small boats (those up to 16 feet in length) range from \$64.96 to \$127.80 per season, depending upon whether minimum or maximum facilities are provided, and from \$64.96 to \$303.08 per season for larger craft. Thus even a comparatively small marina offers its operators a good regular income in space rentals alone.

There are as many different ways of getting into the marina business as there are of skinning a cat. But all of them require two things: a piece of waterfront real estate suitable for making a haven for small boats; and a substantial amount of cash or credit (seldom less than

\$10,000) for developing slips, launching facilities, a boat fueling service, and other facilities.

There are, of course, a number of requirements to keep in mind besides the cost of buying or leasing a waterfront site. Does it have a firm beach with a steep slope into deep water? If not, it will be necessary to build a launching ramp for trailered boats as well as a crane or other system for hoisting untrailer boats in and out of the water. How much dredging will be necessary? Is the site readily available to a highway and to utility services? Is it large enough to provide land storage space for boats and parking space for customers' cars? Can land adjoining it be acquired if needed for future expansion?

Even if he thinks he has found an ideal spot for a marina, the experts say, the entrepreneur will do well not to invest a dollar in it until he has availed himself of professional advice. And such advice is readily available.

By contacting the National Association of Engine & Boat Manufacturers, 420 Lexington Avenue, New York 17, New York, he can obtain the names of one or more engineers in his general area who are specialists in the construction and operation of marinas. He can then commission one of them to make a "feasibility report" on the site he is considering. These experts are not cheap. They commonly charge about \$100 a day for their services on a per diem basis, or from \$350 to \$500 for a complete report. But they are considered indispensable, because they safeguard the amateur against losing his shirt.

From the NAEBM, the man planning a marina also can procure a booklet called *The Modern Marina* and other literature packed with construction tips.

Other big organizations also stand ready to give him information. These include the Outboard Boating Club, 307 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago 1, Illinois, and the American Wood Preservers Institute, 111 West Washington Street, Chicago 2. Several large oil companies will also assist the marina builder.

Regardless of the type of construction, however, a man who is handy with tools usually can do much of it himself on a small marina—with the exception of the dredging and pile driving that often are necessary.

He may start out, for example, by providing the bare essentials every marina must have—slips or docks for in-water storage of boats (perhaps no more than 25 or 50 slips, although he eventually plans 250); land storage space for boats; boat launching and hauling facilities; boat fueling equipment; and parking space for cars.

With these essential installations bringing him a modest but regular income, the operator can then add—more slips for boats, covered storage facilities for boats on shore, a repair shop and paint shed, a marine hardware and supplies store, a snack bar.

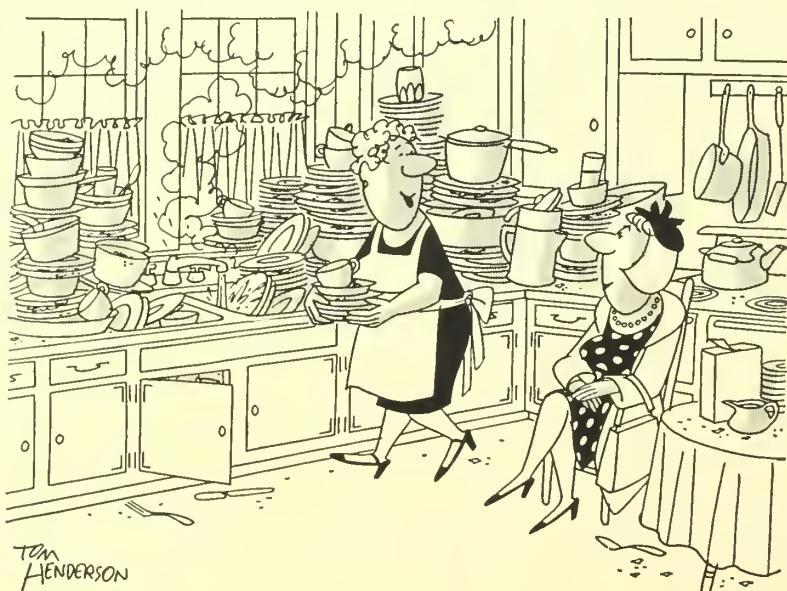
Finally, if the demand justifies it, he may build still more slips and storage sheds for boats, an engine and boat salesroom, a restaurant, a swimming pool, and even a boatel or yachtel (the marine version of a motel).

Small marina operators rarely have enough cash to grow big all at once. But if their ventures show promise they usually can raise capital for expansion by borrowing from banks, taking friends into partnership with them, letting out concessions, or forming small corporations and selling stock.

In 1946 Charles E. Hotaling bought a one-man shop on what was then a desolate piece of waterfront at Toms River, New Jersey, and went into the boat repair business. Today "Hotaling's Boat Yard and Marina" covers more than four acres, includes one lagoon for berthing boats up to 50 feet in length and another for outboards exclusively, and grosses more than \$500,000 a year.

Vincent Bravo, a New York advertising man, decided that a marshy bay on Long Island's south shore had possibilities as a marina, but found that the cost of dredging it alone would come to \$100,000. Not having that kind of money, Bravo set up a corporation, raised \$250,000 by selling stock, and started dredging operations in 1955. His "Seaford-Mar Marina" now has 250 dock spaces, all rented.

Rags to riches dramas like these are commonplace, but that doesn't mean everyone who starts a marina makes a killing. In fact, a word of warning is called for. Every year a good many romantics enter boating enterprises with



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the idea that they can go fishing or loaf on a sunny dock while the money rolls in. It doesn't work out that way and most of them go broke.

For those with proper qualifications there are countless opportunities for making money in the marina business, and some people are finding them even without benefit of water sites. Dryland marinas, first conceived by Robert H. Scott of Evinrude Motors, have already proved successful in Houston and Corpus Christi, Texas, and at Newport Beach, California. And there seems no reason why hundreds of others should not be built in or near big centers where waterfront property is scarce.

A dryland marina combines features of a boat parking lot and a boating supermarket. Instead of slips or docks, it provides covered booths where boats are stored on trailers; and the proprietor either owns launching facilities on a body of water, or has an arrangement with the owners of such facilities. For a monthly rental fee, the marina operator provides storage space for boats and launching and hauling service.

In addition to services for their craft, the ever-increasing army of boatowners require not only food and drink for themselves but such things as garbage disposal, ice, hot showers, laundry, haircuts and beauty treatments, sporting goods, and fishing bait. Merchandising such simple items in popular boating centers offers other chances for profits.

One example of a small merchant who has gone places is John Myers of Severna Park, Maryland. A couple of years ago he built a seagoing hotdog stand by placing a wooden platform across two pontoons and equipping the rig with an outboard motor and overhead awning. Plying a busy boating area, he found such a brisk demand for his hotdogs, hamburgers, and soft drinks that he now has five floating refreshment stands in operation.

At the municipally owned Bahia Mar Marina at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, small concessionaires are cashing in on as many different lines of business as you will find in a small city. In addition to a motel, restaurant, and cabanas, they operate 28 stores in a bustling shopping center and an outdoor movie theater and dancing pavilion.

Yes, and in California — where the world's two largest marinas are being developed at Long Beach and San Diego — teachers, too, are reaping a harvest from still another sideline of the marine business. They give lessons in sailing, navigation, water skiing, and skin-diving.

Never before in the history of recreation has there been anything like the boom in boating now sweeping this country. And there is room for entrepreneurs of every kind.

THE END

"Sound off!"

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sage of The American Legion. This is our greatest design and purpose. It is this message that you want to carry to the people of your community, into your schools, and into other organizations. The means that you may employ to augment this message is a matter of individual Post responsibility — through speakers forums, celebrations, however you choose. But above all, get it to the people. In this manner the people will know you. The patriotic men of America are actually looking for your organization — they are looking for a place where they can do service for their Country. The reason they have not found you is that you are timid. You hide your light. If you will let your light shine before you, the problem of a large, aggressive membership will not be a problem.

Hon. Pete E. Turner
Dept. Judge Advocate
Dept. of Texas
Austin, Tex.

THANK YOU CARDS

Sir: I noted your editorial entitled "Another Approach," in the January issue. Am enclosing "Thank You" cards that Post 1700 distributes each holiday to those who display the flag. We have noted that neighbors of those receiving the "Thank You" cards have followed suit. Our aim is to gain more and more support from all residents to display the flag.

George F. Wedge
George F. Johnson Post 1700
Endicott, N. Y.

Worth noting is that the "Thank You" card also expresses an invitation to "veteran members of your family" to visit the Post.

The Editors

ANSWERS WANTED

Sir: Some of us here in the Corn Belt cannot understand these things: 1. Why does the Government spend our tax dollars to show farmers how to fertilize, plant, and take care of their ground, and then pay (also with taxpayers' money) for the extra crops that result from this efficiency? 2. Why does the Government allow so much importation of beef and corn products? 3. Why does the Government plan to spoil the Gunnison River for fishing in order to have more water to raise more crops to make more expense for the taxpayer?

Paul E. Weaver
Council Bluffs, Iowa

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WHAT YOU AS AN INDIVIDUAL CAN DO TO FIGHT COMMUNISM

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SEN. THOMAS J. DODD

with those who share your point of view to wrest control from the agents of Moscow. It may not be easy, but it has been done and can be done.

If you need facts or advice, you can receive the necessary assistance by writing to the Senate Subcommittee on Internal Security, the House Un-American Activities Committee, or one of the several reputable anticommunist organizations.

There is one important "don't." As J. Edgar Hoover has pointed out, we must not accuse people indiscriminately or on the basis of too scant evidence, nor must we confuse native American radicalism with international communism. When we do so, we play into the hands of our enemy.

Basically, of course, the outcome of the struggle is going to be decided in the arena of world affairs. There is a tendency, I know, to believe that foreign affairs are so complicated that their conduct had best be left to the experts. In my opinion, diplomats, politicians, and scholars frequently tend to overintellectualize the problem that confronts us; and in the process they sometimes forget that there are situations in which there can be no substitute for courage and patriotism and willingness to sacrifice.

The average American citizen may not be an expert on foreign affairs. But he does have courage, and he has an instinctive moral understanding of the nature of communism that frequently brings him nearer the truth than are the experts to whom he looks for leadership. And I know that he can exercise an important influence on the conduct of our foreign policy because when he writes to Washington — to his Congressman or Senators or to the President or Secretary of State — his letter carries far more weight than he imagines.

Inform yourself. Weigh the facts. Give your active support to anticommunist organizations like the American Friends of the Captive Nations. And, by all means, write letters whenever you have strong opinions on our handling of the communist menace.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

dangerous evil. If Americans are willing to take the time to become acquainted with the true facts of communism, they will understand it for what it actually is — a serious menace to the American way of life.

(2) *Be alert to communist tactics at all times.* The communists are constantly at work, day and night, using every possible technique to advance their interests.

They operate in labor unions, as well as in civic, business, professional, and community organizations. The Communist Party would like nothing better than to have its opponents say, "The communists aren't very dangerous." This is when the party makes its greatest gains. Constant vigilance is required.

(3) *Fight communism with democratic methods.* Time after time you will hear the comment, "Let's give the communists the works," meaning use extra-legal methods. Such an approach is wrong and contrary to our historic concepts of liberty and justice. Communism can be defeated through the processes of democratic government. Vigilante tactics will only weaken the democratic cause and give aid to the enemy. The communists are quick to seize for propaganda purposes any incident where judicial processes have been abused.

Eternal God, Maker of heaven and earth, Whose crowning work of creation is mankind, make us ever mindful of our divinely given capacities, to the end that we may constantly strive toward the attainment of that spiritual stature that Thou hast set for us as a goal.

We thank Thee for the privilege of citizenship in our great and beloved land, and for the high principles and ideals that are our heritage. Help us to guard with unrelaxing vigilance the liberty and freedom that are ours, remembering that they have been secured at the cost of many precious lives. May we commemorate those lives, offered freely and unselfishly for all we hold dear, not only through reflection upon their sacrifice, but by rededicating ourselves to values that are abiding and eternal.

Hear our prayers, Heavenly Father, and grant unto us such petitions as shall honor and glorify Thy holy name. Amen.

(4) *Report information about communism to the FBI.* The FBI has primary responsibility among Government agencies for the protection of the internal security of the Nation. Any citizen possessing data concerning espionage, sabotage, or subversion should report it immediately to the FBI. Do not undertake to make an investigation yourself. That is the job of trained investigators, such as FBI agents. The FBI needs the help of all patriotic citizens.

(5) *Make democracy work.* The best defense against communism is making our democratic government work. Communism thrives on weaknesses in our way of life. Every citizen should exercise his democratic privileges, such as voting, participating in community affairs, doing his share to make a better society.

The job of fighting communism is a cooperative endeavor. We in the FBI appreciate the splendid cooperation of our citizens, notably Legionnaires. Only in working together to preserve our great heritage of freedom can we hope to defeat the Kremlin's efforts to enslave us.

ALFRED KOHLBERG

make himself effectively heard by his congressional representatives and by the general public. Through his Congressmen and through the press Mr. Average American can help determine the policies of this great Country, if he will only make the effort.

GEORGE MEANY

human. In our Country there is much to be improved and remedied and many wrongs to be righted on both sides of the Mason-Dixon line. I am confident that these will be righted by those who love America and *not* by those who hate our democratic way of life and want to replace it with communism or any other despotism.

Let us remove the shortcomings and weaknesses in our own social fabric — racial discrimination, unemployment, un-American living conditions.

In Latin America and Africa, as well as in Europe, let us talk and act as friends of the oppressed and never as friends of dictators and oppressors.

Let our Government exercise a greater initiative in extending democracy and freedom by working to have our allies break with all colonialism.

Let us improve the substance and manner of our helping the newly established and economically underdeveloped nations to grow into healthy and prosperous democracies. Remember, life is still a nightmare for hundreds of millions

throughout the world—the underfed, undereducated, underhoused, and underproductive.

Let us rebuild NATO and enlarge its purpose through effective cooperation by its members in promoting economic progress and prosperity, mutual assistance in the realm of technology and science, and the strengthening of the military forces.

Let us strive to turn the United Nations into a more effective instrument of world peace on the basis of its charter. Under no circumstances can we accept the transformation of the United Nations into a reformatory for international criminals like the Chinese communist dictators.

Last but most important, let us build an America that will be strong enough, along with our allies, to deter and if need be defeat those who stand in the way of world peace and the freedom of mankind.

HON. ROBERT MORRIS

how the communists are succeeding day by day in the face of our complacency. Look at a map of the world as it was in 1945. Look at it again as it was in 1950. Look at it as it is today. See which way goes the battle. See what the Soviets are doing in outer space.

When you understand how personal this problem is, there will be hundreds of possibilities that will occur to you every day. But certainly you will wake up and begin asserting yourself. You will select representatives who will do something about the deterioration. You will know what to do.

SEN. KARL E. MUNDT

countries did not know what the threat of communism was.

Above that, they did not have a wholesome respect for and knowledge of their own free way of life. When they became mentally soft on the subject of communism, all their other defensive walls crumbled before the onslaught.

Communism can advance only if we forget what freedom means. Communism can be a threat only if we fail to appreciate our way of life.

A resurgence of patriotism can sterilize the communist virus. Practical patriotic programs in which The American Legion participates can stimulate sentiments within the hearts and minds of Americans everywhere that will protect them against the poisons of red propaganda.

Americans have it within themselves to defeat communism by knowing what it is and how it destroys freedom. And, more importantly, by knowing, appreciating, and believing in the American

way of life. Knowing what Americanism really is, we should all then practice the vital doctrines of freedom, tolerance, and patriotism that we preach.

HON. WILLIAM P. ROGERS

in uncommitted nations, the average citizen sometimes feels that there is little that he can do about the communist threat. Of course this is wrong. Equally as important as the role of government is the responsibility of each American to help meet and overcome the communist challenge.

What can the individual do to help preserve for himself and his children the blessings of freedom?

Every American must have a full appreciation of the merits of our system of government, how it works, and what it stands for. He must understand why we believe in the dignity and worth of the individual, what is meant by the rule of law, and why we seek constantly to make meaningful the concept of equality under law.

The citizen must recognize that the individual is the most important ingredient in our free system of government. Success of such a system depends on whether individuals are willing to assume the re-

sponsibilities which are theirs. This we do when we participate in the vote for good government at all levels, support civic causes and law enforcement agencies, attend the church of our faith, and raise and educate our children to appreciate the moral and spiritual values which have made our nation strong.

The steps are not spectacular, but they are vital. For only as millions of Americans combine to make democracy a living reality for all people everywhere in the United States can we hope to prevail over the threat that communism poses both at home and abroad.

GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY

bution the dictatorship of the proletariat prevails; that is, those who have seized power of the state are justified in using any method (there being no moral law) to achieve their end, which is the second stage, socialism.

Socialism is government ownership of the means of production, distribution, and exchange. When both the political and economic power are held by a government, not subject to popular control, the government becomes a tyranny, directing the lives of the people from the cradle to the grave. This is the condition

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that now prevails in varying degrees in all Iron Curtain countries, including Red China.

The third stage of Marxism is communism — which, according to the communist view, is heaven on earth. Human perfection is achieved. No government, no state, no religion, no moral system is necessary.

Obviously not one of these three stages appeals to an American. So how does he combat it? He starts with the child. First and foremost, he brings his child up in the spirit of God, with attendance at the church of his ancestry, presided over by a clergyman who devotes himself to God's word and not to subjects that are dealt with more competently in newspapers and magazines. A child who is raised without God is without a moral basis of life and therefore is subject to the teachings of Marxism.

Secondly, the fighter against communism does not strengthen communism by his own conduct. He does not engage in unfair attitudes toward other human beings because of race, religion, or previous nationality.

Thirdly, the fighter against communism is himself a patriot; he brings his children up as patriots. He fights off internationalism as though it were a vile disease. On the other hand, it is possible

to be a patriot and to support membership in the United Nations or similar bodies. Patriotism means love of coun-



try; it does not mean hatred for other countries.

This can be a beginning for an anti-communist life.

REP. FRANCIS E. WALTER

Any project you undertake should have at least as much planning and organization as the communists normally put into their schemes. And that's plenty.

Be *scrupulous* about your evidence and the rules of fair play before making a charge against any individual or group. You have helped communism instead of hurting it when you have to retract.

Never backtrack. Stick to your guns. Resolve that though you are unjustly attacked and subjected to various pressures, you will not retreat. The *truth* and *exposure* are your most powerful weapons. Use them in letters to newspaper editors and public officials—the molders of public opinion and initiators of government action.

Don't forget the *power of the purse*. You, as a consumer, have considerable power over radio and TV advertisers, producers of public entertainment, and many others whose success depends on public acceptance of their goods, services, or talents.

Some more specific ideas? If you have the will, the knowledge, the numbers, and the organization previously referred to, these will be no problem. Your major difficulty will be in deciding which of the many things that need to be done you should do first.

THE END

HE MAKES THE REDS LOOK RIDICULOUS

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nevertheless he changes them abruptly.

Could anyone kill Baer at his home? Not easily. His house near Templehof Airport is constantly patrolled at night. A would-be assassin couldn't even get in. There are all sorts of extra locks, and bars in front of all windows.

"Nobody could shoot me," Baer says jokingly. "I don't make a very good target." He weighs only 138 pounds, and stands but 5 feet 2 inches.

But he has saved his neck several times by a mixture of luck and alertness.

Just a few months ago, for example, when Khrushchev was clamoring for Berlin, Baer flew to Bonn on business. The fast-talking 39-year-old publisher had been in such a hurry that he'd left his car in front of his West Berlin house, instead of putting it into his garage.

When he returned, he started to drive to his office. But he soon noticed that the car did not steer properly. He and a companion got out of the auto at once and discovered that all but one screw had been removed from a front wheel.

For safety's sake, Baer always keeps a couple of plainclothes guards watching his office building. Nobody can get into the *Tarantel* offices without ringing a bell. The visitor is scrutinized through a nickel-sized peephole. To reach the publisher's inner sanctum, one has to go

through an anteroom, through another locked door, and finally through a door marked "Verboten." In addition, Baer is a rare shot, and he has a special alarm system that leads directly to the West Berlin police headquarters.

The men who work for Baer have no easy life. Like all German executives, he is a perfectionist; like all humorists, he is a sharp critic — and that is one reason why *Tarantel's* style has aroused worldwide interest.

The U. S. Information Agency in Berlin thinks so much of Baer's magazine that it has made it available to all East German visitors and to the daily stream of refugees who flock into the *Amerika Haus*, USIA's information center there. Many East Germans rate Baer's outfit with the Voice of America and Radio Free Europe. Indeed, many Berliners feel that apart from entertaining the oppressed, Baer has stirred up sufficient unrest among them to bring about future rebellions. Some people even think that Baer had much to do with the historic East Berlin uprising of June 17, 1953.

Tarantel harasses many agencies of the East German Government. For instance, the police must try to collect Baer's magazine in the middle of the night. East German customs officers have had to work overtime to check

every parcel going beyond the Iron Curtain. The red censorship office in East Germany alone now has to spend some 38 million marks a year to open mail to search for Baer's materials.

The little magazine enjoys a healthy revenue by German standards. It receives 60,000 marks a month, roughly \$15,000. This sum comes from industrialists, churches, civic groups, and a Government agency.

Baer keeps mum about the sponsors' names — even to his staff. They merely know that the money is paid into an unlisted account; from the bank, the monthly allotment goes in true foreign intrigue style through three alternate attorneys to the magazine's bookkeeper. All of the publisher's expenses are taken care of. He only has to write a check when he wants to go to the U. S. A. (where he exhibited cartoons at the San Francisco and New York libraries).

Baer's plans include a monthly *Tarantel* edition for 78 countries. He also wants to project his cartoons against the East Berlin sky on cloudy nights.

So far, the Kremlin bigwigs haven't found a permanent way to shut him up. They probably never will. Not unless they get Berlin. And there's little chance of that.

THE END

THE AMERICAN LEGION AND . . . CHILD WELFARE

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Act and supplementary legislation in all the states.

Long before our present wide-spread system of federal child welfare grants to states was in operation, the Legion was operating a program of its own. From 1928 through 1946 grants were made to state Legion organizations for special child welfare projects of multiple variety.

The total grants during the 19 years of operation amounted to only \$120,000 but many states can still point to permanent advancements for the welfare of children which were made possible through these modest grants. All but four continental departments of the Legion received at least one grant.

Often, nationwide problems of children have been voiced by The American Legion and remedial actions undertaken long before official agencies have appeared to be even aware of them. In 1946 and 1947, it was the Legion which first called attention to problems resulting from the presence of numerous G.I. children on college campuses.

Many other legislative gains for children on both the federal and state level have come about through the Legion's effort: in the field of adoption and guardianship; in the regulation of child labor; in the provision of increased benefits for disabled veterans with dependents; in the more effective laws dealing with desertion and non-support; in the speeding up of the investigative and certifying processes of departments of public welfare; in the provision of facilities for the care and education of handicapped children; in the granting of scholarships for children of deceased and disabled veterans; and in countless other aspects of child welfare.

Tangible results for children have also been effected by the Legion through channels other than legislative.

In 1945, the Legion and its Auxiliary made a \$50,000 grant to a very small, struggling organization, the American Heart Association. The gift, together with additional contributions influenced by the Legion, vitalized the organization and made possible a reorganization and reorientation to present day needs.

This year the American Heart Association is raising between 23½ and 24 million dollars and the U. S. Congress appropriated \$62,237,000 for research and activity in the field of heart disease. And our \$50,000 contribution started it.

Before that grant, there were no dollars in the voluntary health agency, and the government contributed nothing to research in heart disease. Thousands of lives have already been saved through the medium of research in this field.

Just nine years ago, The American

Legion made another contribution of \$25,000—this time to the field of mental health with the provision that the major national mental health organizations then in existence be amalgamated into one organization. Those organizations accepted the provision and did join forces.

Starting with the Legion's contribution, the National Association for Mental Health is now spending over a million dollars a year in field service, education, research and other activities.

The National Institute of Mental Health, which only 2 years before the amalgamation of the national mental health agencies had a budget of 4½ million, currently has a budget of \$68,000,000.

Other evidences of major progress include 23 states that have liberalized once-restrictive attitudes toward the mentally ill.

Perhaps the greatest mental health accomplishment since 1950 is in the new concepts and approaches to mental illness. These changes of concept and approach will some day help conquer the nation's number one health problem. The Legion can be proud of its contribution to this field.

The American Legion joined with many others in support of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to the end that a tremendous "break-through" in the control of virus diseases was accomplished by the development of the Salk vaccine.

As evidence of its support was the fact that as many as 27 Departments of The American Legion conducted Blue Crutch campaigns for the March of Dimes in their states at one time. Records of child welfare expenditures show hundreds of thousands of dollars were contributed to aid in this important research.

For example, this year in Chicago, American Legion posts all over the city are bringing thousands of people into their post halls where Board of Health doctors give them polio shots — free! Similar clinics are being sponsored by many other Legion posts throughout the country.

Late in 1950 The American Legion called attention to another matter having to do with the physical and moral health of our children — the use of narcotics by juveniles. In June 1951, the Legion threw a national spotlight on the problem through a special narcotics clinic held in New York City.

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The event was well covered by the nation's news media. Within months the nation was apprised of the situation that existed.

As a result of testimony in this clinic, a 15-point program was drawn up and later in the year adopted by the Legion at its 1951 convention. By convention time the following year, 10 of the points had been wholly or partially achieved; the budget of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics had been increased; the number of narcotic agents had been enlarged and federal laws had been amended to provide for a sliding scale of minimum, mandatory sentences for those convicted; and 22 states had amended laws to stiffen penalties against sellers.

In 1956 The American Legion studied the problem of venereal disease and found that about 200,000 teen-agers contract venereal disease annually. This amounts to about 1 out of every 200 young people. Once again the Legion went into action.

Along with testimony from other agencies and organizations, the Legion managed to get Congress to increase its appropriation for venereal disease control from the low \$2.4 million in 1953 to the present amount of \$5.4 million.

In addition, the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, in cooperation with the Babcock Foundation and the American Social Health Association, financed a research project in adolescent behavior, particularly as it relates to venereal disease. The Legion Foundation has supported this research in a total amount of \$20,000.

Founded in 1954, The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, Inc., has already spent over \$100,000 in pursuit of two major purposes: first, to add to the sum total of man's knowledge about children and youth through research; second, to help distribute knowledge that society already possesses about children so that the information will be more widespread and effective.

Other grants made by the Foundation, in addition to the one previously mentioned, include a grant to the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness to finance a motion picture of the most up-to-date methods in preserving the remaining vision of partially sighted children.

Another grant has gone to the National Hospital for Speech Disorders. That hospital is now experimenting on one of the most imaginative new concepts of speech disorders that has appeared in the last quarter century. A continuation of the study under the auspices of the National Institutes of Health is being given consideration.

At the present time, under its second Legion grant, the Boston Children's Hospital is conducting research in en-

doerinology and the relation which the ductless glands may have in childhood diseases and disorders.

American Legion child welfare effort has also produced notable accomplishments in the broad field of protective and social services for children during the past 10 years.

In desertion and non-support, the Legion placed emphasis on reciprocal interstate laws which are now in existence in practically every state in the union.

Activity in the comic book field resulted in the establishment of the Comic Magazine Authority, an industry-wide

gion assistance. The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation has made grants to the Delinquency Control Institute at the University of Southern California which have already provided training for police officers in 22 states. These officers on completion of their training all must go into juvenile police work in their home towns.

The Foundation also financed a training course at Rutgers University for those responsible for in-service training in 30 state institutions for delinquent youth. For the past 2 years the Foundation has financed a summer training course at Tulane University for correctional personnel who were on the job but who had not had professional training for their work.

As early as 1952 the Legion became interested in the truly forgotten child — the mentally retarded. By 1954 the Legion was on an extensive information program to bring the story of retarded children and their needs to the attention of the general public. With American Legion help, numbers of states have revised their laws pertaining to care and education of the mentally retarded.

In 1955 the Child Welfare Foundation made a grant of \$16,000 to the National Association for Retarded Children to employ a full-time consultant to meet with various groups throughout the country and assist in planning facilities and curriculums for the education and training of these handicapped children.

Most of the Legion's accomplishments in the general field of financial assistance for economically deprived children have been legislative. One cannot however, cast aside lightly the \$156,000,000. The American Legion and its affiliated organizations have spent from their own funds to help children in need.

Of all the accomplishments in the past 10 years in the fields of financial assistance, one of the major ones for The American Legion began in 1943 and was not accomplished until the 1950's.

Many men going into service not being permanently covered by Social Security, found that they soon lost that coverage and on their death, no survivors benefits were available to their widows and children. The American Legion maintained that this inequity needed correction.

Finally in 1950, after a 7-year fight by the Legion, the President signed the bill. And on that day 80,000 widows and orphans of WW2 servicemen became eligible for survivors benefits, who the day before, were ineligible. Later, the same benefits were given to veterans of the Korean Conflict.

Prior to WW2 there were some 42 million children in the United States under the age of 18, with some 10 million of them of veteran parentage. Today there are 65 $\frac{1}{4}$ million children with



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self-regulatory group that has left little cause for concern or criticism.

Legion activity related to pornographic material has helped amend the federal law to (1) make it illegal to transport pornographic materials in interstate commerce by private carrier and (2) to provide that prosecution for violation can take place at either the point of origin or at destination.

An especially serious problem in child labor activities is the lack of enforcement of present laws or failure to adjust child labor standards to modern requirements and industrial progress. New legislation is also indicated to offer 16 to 18-year olds vocational experience while still in school and under school administration control.

In 1957 the Child Welfare Commission became interested in our restrictive residence provisions of welfare laws throughout the nation. During the past 3 years, the Legion has been in the forefront in public education toward new concepts in residence laws.

In juvenile delinquency, many states and local communities have improved their laws and their facilities for delinquent children with American Le-

about 34 million of them children of veterans.

Prior to WW2 The American Legion had obtained the continuation of VA benefits for the children of deceased servicemen while they were still in school.

With the large influx of veterans' children after WW2, the Legion began the collection of information about existing scholarships which resulted in the establishment of the scholarship information service and the publication of its educational pamphlet "Need A Lift?"

The now famous pamphlet lists millions of dollars worth of scholarships. By January 1, 1960, the new 9th edition of the pamphlet had been distributed to nearly a half million outlets, including most of the nation's high schools, many colleges and universities, public libraries, hundreds of American businesses and industries, Veterans Administration, public welfare offices, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and the discharge centers of the Armed Forces.

Early in 1951, the Legion asked Congress for the first time to make the educational benefits of the "G.I. Bill" available to the children of men who were killed in service and thus unable to take advantage of that opportunity. In 1956 those benefits did become available to those children through the passage of the "Junior G.I. Bill"—officially known as the War Orphans Education Assistance Act.

As of June 30, last year, 13,312 students had entered training. The allowances paid amounted to \$7,663,348.

There is real need for The American Legion to continue its deep, community-centered interest in children, to find a new and perhaps presently un-thought-of approach to child welfare programs. None of us know what perils and trials lie ahead for the individual, the nation or humanity. But all of us know that survival may well depend on the quality of care, education and training which we as parents and citizens provide for all children.

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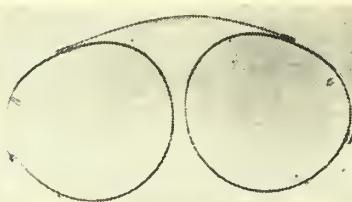
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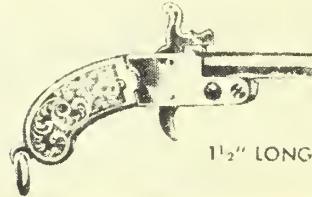
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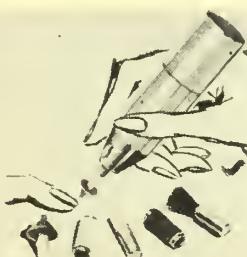
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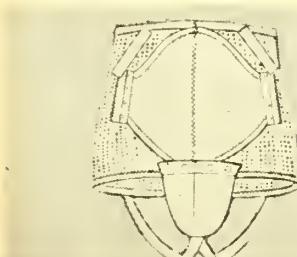
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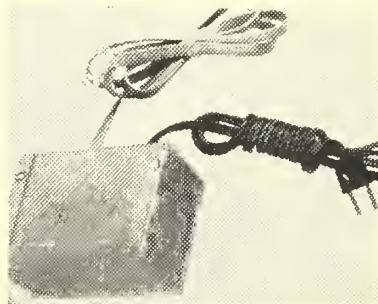
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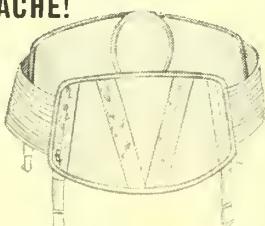
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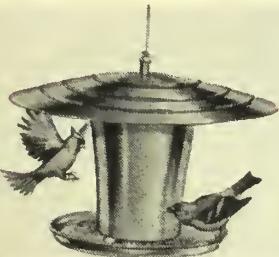


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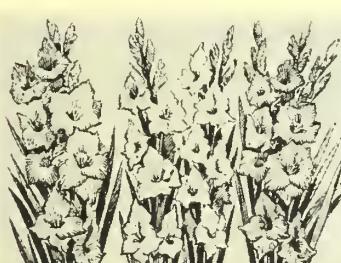
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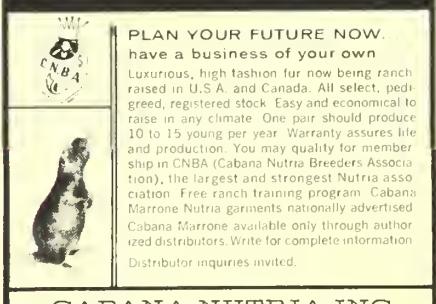
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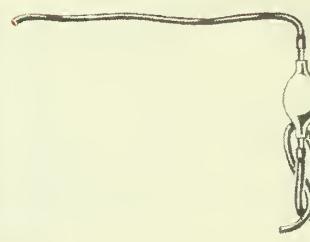
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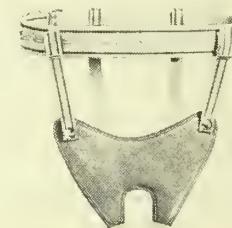
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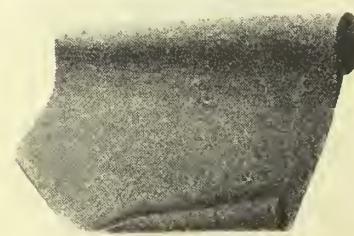
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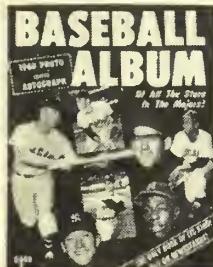
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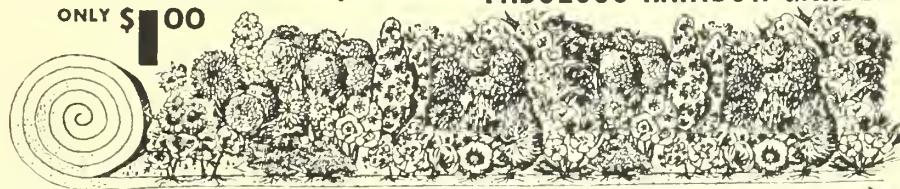
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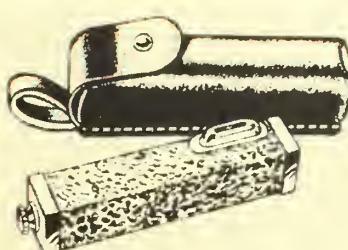


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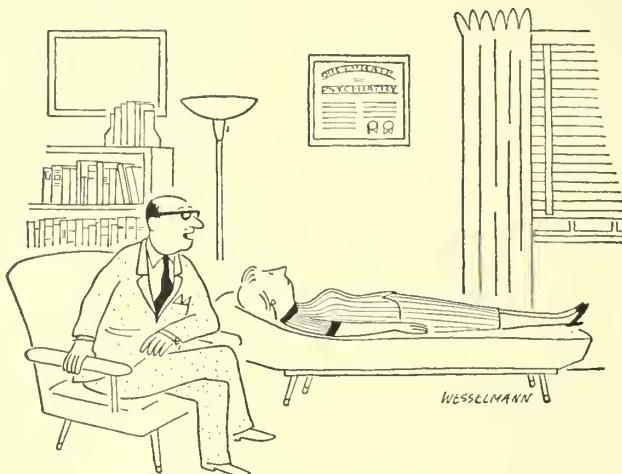
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— HAROLD HELFER

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*At the supermarket on Saturday night,
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Where are you probably apt
To find a gentleman trying to post
A fruitcake improperly wrapped?

And where is the patron who stops to chat
With the cashier that she's a friend of?
Inevitably they're in front of the line
That I'm waiting back at the end of.*

— SUZANNE DOUGLASS

A New Trick

Bridge Game: One place where a wife is always eager to do her husband's bidding.

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New Surroundings

A little city boy spent a night at the farm for the first time. Much earlier than he generally arose, he was awakened by the activity on the farm around him.

Coming downstairs, he remarked: "You

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Pony Tale

*Milly is a filly
With a voice that doesn't falter.
If you essay to say her neigh
You'll find you cannot halter.
Her gossip, which is idle,
Knows no bridle and no rein,
And she's a little sulky
If you ask her to refrain.
In wheel or whoa she runs her course,
Her string of words is strung
— To put the cart before the horse —
She has a wagon tongue.*

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— MARK ROBB

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*He who steals my purse
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